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SOVIET CLAIMS BIG VICTORY Panzers Thrown On Defensive

DAYLIGHT SWEEPS CONTINUE

The R.A.F. continued the offensive on the enemy's western front yesterday, according to an Air Ministry communique, which says that heavy bombers, accompanied by fighters, attacked the aircraft works at Meaulte, and the power station and chemical works near Bethune.

Both targets were hit by powerful bombs and many incendiaries, and the escort shot down seven enemy fighters.

Three British fighters were lost, but two of the pilots were rescued from the sea.

Bomber Command Blenheims attacked a strongly escorted convoy of eight enemy ships of 5,000 tons off the Dutch coast, six of the ships being hit by bombs.

The Blenheims attacked another convoy off Calais, and one ship of 2,000 tons, and the escorting E-boat were sunk.

Three Bomber Command and one Coastal Command aircraft are missing as a result of these operations. Reuter.

JAPANESE CHANGES IN COMMAND

Important changes in the High Command of the Japanese Army have been made, states a London report.

The Japanese have appointed two new members of the Supreme War Council and a new Chief of Staff in China.

Prince Konoye, Prime Minister, and Admiral Oikawa, Navy Minister, were given an audience by the Emperor when the Premier reported on Cabinet matters. Reuter.

JAPANESE LAND IN FUKIEN

Landing of Japanese troops on the Southern Fukien coast was reported in Chungking yesterday. The report stated that over 1,000 Japanese troops effected a landing in the vicinity of Shing An last Friday morning and that fighting was going on south and west of the city. Reuter.

Nazi Communique

A German communique claims that the Germans have repulsed counter-attacks at Bessarabia and continue to advance.

In Bulcovina, the Rumano-Bulgarians have reached Upper Dniester and have captured

Ostrov Battle Over: Buoyant Spirit In Moscow

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

HITLER'S WAR MACHINE IS NOW SHATTERING ITSELF AGAINST A FIRMLY HOLDING LINE FROM THE BALTIC TO THE BLACK SEA, ACCORDING TO OFFICIAL MOSCOW COMMUNIQUES WHICH ARE ENCOURAGINGLY BUOYANT.

The most shattering defeat yet inflicted upon Hitler is claimed as having taken place in Latvia in the Ostrov sector, scene in the last two days of some of the most sanguinary fighting of the war. Moscow now announces the end of the first phase of the battle, with complete victory for the Red Army.

"Hitler's panzer divisions in Latvia have now been forced to adopt defensive tactics," says the Russian High Command, adding that the severe defeat suffered by the Germans in this sector may prove to be one of the war's most important battles.

The Soviet also refers to German attempts to cross the north bank of the Dvina River at its western end, in the Polotsk sector, and says that Soviet troops firmly held their positions, repulsing every attack with severe loss.

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Heavy Toll

A Soviet communique stated yesterday that the Russians have repulsed numerous German attempts to break through in the Ostrov sector in Latvia.

DURING SUNDAY NIGHT, THE RUSSIANS TOOK A HEAVY TOLL OF GERMAN TANKS.

Night-long German efforts to cross the western Dvina river in the Podolsk sector were fiercely contested.

The Russians also frustrated German motorised attempts to break through eastwards in the Novograd-Volinsk sector.

In the Bessarabian sector, the Russians flung back the Germans to their original position inflicting heavy losses.

Two German destroyers were sunk in the naval battle when German forces were trying to penetrate the Gulf of Riga.

He said that things of this kind were a matter of profound regret to the United States Government.

Reuter.

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Operations in Galicia continue on a wide front beyond Sereth.

Hungarian Claims

On Saturday and Sunday, Hungarian troops carried out flanking attacks against the enemy, states a Hungarian Supreme Command communique. The Panzer divisions particularly distinguished themselves. "In some places our troops are advancing on the Eastern side of the Orlitzer." Reuter.

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PERUVIAN- ECUADOR CONFLICT

MR. SUMNER WELLES, AT A PRESS CONFERENCE IN WASHINGTON YESTERDAY, SAID HE WAS SURE THE UNITED STATES AND ALL OTHER AMERICAN REPUBLICS WERE ANXIOUS TO HELP TO HALT THE PERU-ECUADOR HOSTILITIES.

Asked whether the United States Government had received any reports indicating "outside influences" provoking the Peru-Ecuadorian clashes, Mr. Sumner Welles replied, quoting the old Spanish proverb: "Very often in muddy waters fishing is good."

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TWO KILLED IN ALEXANDRIA RAID

Two persons were killed and fourteen injured in an air raid on Alexandria on Sunday by

enemy aircraft. Reuter.

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VITAL BEIRUT BATTLE

The vital battle for Beirut involving possession of Vichy's key port on the Lebanese coast is focussing all attention in Jerusalem.

Authoritative military circles point out that with the capture of Beirut, the Vichyites would lose not only their most valuable port but also the main bastion of their defence in the west.

The area under Vichy control is steadily shrinking daily and many in Jerusalem opine the fall of Beirut might well have a decisive effect on the campaign.

TALK OF AN ARMISTICE

That the Syrian campaign has entered the final stage is the opinion of observers in Ankara who would not be surprised if an armistice is signed within a week.

An exchange of views is reported to have taken place in Syria and elsewhere with the aim of seeking a settlement to avoid further bloodshed.

Nothing is known in London of this report. Reuter.

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Arrival Of Naval Forces In Island Announced

British Garrison To Be Replaced

THE DECISION OF THE UNITED STATES TO TAKE OVER CONTROL OF ICELAND AND TO RELEASE THE BRITISH AND CANADIAN FORCES THERE FOR SERVICE ELSEWHERE WAS OFFICIALLY REVEALED IN WASHINGTON YESTERDAY.

Japan's Knightly Way

The "Manchester Guardian," in a leading article yesterday, said that four years ago, Japan, calling it an Incident, started against China a war which she was now unable to end:

Her victories glitter with returning generals' triumphs, but hundreds of thousands of Japanese have been killed or maimed. Privations have grown, but the Chinese people's spirit remains unbroken.

China has endured from her great inner strength. She has the patience that "gazes on kings' graves," and communists and Government are still united against the invader.

She is rebuilding, in the West, the economy which Japan's "knightly way" had bloodily shattered.

For four years too little has been appreciated, too little help has been given China who has been fighting the battle of this country, and those with us in the war.

As much as any she deserves our help. As much as any she must be with us at and after the peace.—Reuter.

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The announcement disclosed that American naval forces have already arrived in Iceland. For the moment, they will supplement the British forces. Gradually, they will

replace them.

In a special Message to Congress, announcing the arrival of the naval force, President Roosevelt indicated that units from the United States will eventually replace the British forces stationed in Iceland.

The President said that the United States could not permit "the occupation by Germany of strategic outposts in the Atlantic, to be used as air or naval bases for an eventual attack against the Western Hemisphere."

The President emphasised, however, that the United States did not desire any change of sovereignty in those regions.

Triple Threat

The German occupation of Iceland, he said, would constitute a serious threat in three dimensions, "a threat against Greenland and the northern part of the American continent and the island lying off it, a threat against all shipping in the Atlantic and a threat against the steady flow of munitions to Britain, which is a matter of broad policy clearly approved by Congress."

No indication is given of just what forces have reached Iceland or whether they will be supplemented by troops or marines.

Nor did President Roosevelt indicate whether similar action might be taken against other possible stepping off points for German action against the Western Hemisphere.

Exchange Of Letters

The Presidential Message was accompanied by the texts of letters exchanged between Mr. Roosevelt and the Prime Minister of Iceland dated July 1, and the Message was in line with the understanding reached in this exchange, that the United States Navy would go to Iceland.

The Message stated that the assurance that "strategic outposts

in the United States defence frontier should remain in friendly hands is the very foundation of United States national security and of the national security of everyone.

MENZIES' BUDGET PROBLEM

The Commonwealth Government, headed by Mr. Menzies, may face difficulties in the forthcoming budget session, says a message from Canberra.

The proposed Budget is believed to contain sufficiently contentious matters to provoke Labour hostility and the three Government defeats on minor issues in the House of Representatives last week are interpreted as pointing to the weakness in the Government position, despite the statement of Mr. Curtin, the Labour leader, that Mr. Menzies and he are concentrating only on strengthening Australian defences and denying the possibility of an early election.

There is talk in some quarters of looking for a good election issue. In New South Wales, where Labour parliamentary influence is strongest, it is suggested that Labour would take office under Mr. Curtin as Prime Minister without an election. Unions are showing increasing anxiety that Labour should take action against the Government and are bringing increasing pressure to bear on their parliamentary leaders; but no crisis is in any case likely before Parliament meets, probably late in August.—Reuter.

HOST IS ANGRY!

After Mrs. Emma Bradley, of Paterson, New Jersey, U.S.A., had paid £60 for the cremation of her husband, whom she had not seen for three years, he walked into the office of the police chief.

"What's all this I read in the paper about my being dead?" he demanded.

"Well," gasped the chief, "I guess you had better ask your wife."

The body that Mrs. Bradley had had cremated was that of a man killed in a motor accident. But Mrs. Bradley and two friends had agreed the body was that of Mr. Bradley. Tearfully she claimed the remains.

The cremated man has now been identified. His family want the ashes and Mrs. Bradley wants her husband.

"But as he says: 'Go back to her! Not only did she have me arrested when I was living with her but she had me cremated!'



"Queenie," a famous Twickenham bulldog, is certainly one of the bulldog breed—and displayed the Navy's victory over the Bismarck in this manner.

BIG AND WELCOME NEWS TO GREAT BRITAIN

THE ARRIVAL OF United States Forces in Iceland was described last night by a British Foreign Office spokesman as "big and welcome news and one of the most important and significant events that has occurred for some time past."

It was, the spokesman said, a logical development of the policy President Roosevelt announced when Greenland was occupied; that policy being limitation of the intention of the United States to take every measure necessary to safeguard the western hemisphere.

The occupation means that British troops will be relieved of the commitment of the defence of Iceland and will be gradually, by stages, withdrawn from Iceland. For the time being there will be both British and American troops in Iceland.

The British Government was kept fully informed beforehand. Iceland's sovereignty will remain complete and the evacuation by the United States Forces will take place immediately on the conclusion of the war.

There will be arrangements for compensation for any damage that may be done and there will be no interference with local affairs, while the economic interests of Iceland will be safeguarded and measures taken for transport for the conveyance of food and other necessities between Iceland and the United States.

With Consent

There will also be an exchange of diplomatic representatives between Iceland and the United States.

The British Minister, Mr. Charles Howard Smith, who went to Iceland, when we took over its protection will remain there.

The spokesman added: "What has happened is that the Americans in continuation of their policy of hemispheric defence as announced by President Roosevelt, at the time America took over the protection of Greenland, has now extended that principle and is taking over, too, with the consent of the authorities in Iceland, the defence of Iceland."

Secondary Virtue

The action was described as a practical manifestation of American realisation of the Nazi threat to the Democracies generally and desire to attain world domination. It has a secondary virtue from the viewpoint of Great Britain in that it releases us of a commitment in the western hemisphere at a time when German aggression is imposing increasing and fresh obligations on the British Government.—Reuter.

More Earnest American Aid For China Recommended

CHIANG KAI-SHEK'S MESSAGE

Latest international developments reveal that the crimes and designs of the aggressors also increase the strength and the collaboration of those who oppose them, declared Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, in a statement addressed to the Chinese Army and people in which he expressed confidence that "the collapse of Japan and her puppets will coincide with the collapse of the Axis Powers."

Generalissimo Chiang appealed to the Chinese Army and people to redouble their efforts to prepare for a counter-offensive, emphasising the need for national unity and increased fighting strength.

Starting Point

Generalissimo Chiang emphasised that Asia was the starting point of the fire which is spreading over the world.

In drawing attention to the large populations and rice resources of Asia, Generalissimo Chiang urged the Democracies "to make a revolutionary change in their attitude regarding the Pacific Ocean which is as important to Europe as the Atlantic."

Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek expressed gratitude for the assistance given by Britain, the United States and Soviet Russia to the Chinese people. He added the hope that there would be closer cooperation between the four countries as "the aim is the same for all four of us."

Referring to a possible move of the Japanese, Generalissimo Chiang gave warning that the aggressors were both opportunists and adventurers, and therefore capable of sudden unpredictable actions.—Reuter

"FLEECE AND FLIT" PARTIES

Fleece-and-Flit gambling parties are causing anxiety to the War Office and the Service authorities. In all parts of Mayfair and the West End of London luxurious flats and houses are being hired for one night only—after which the organisers become difficult to trace.

A large number of the victims are officers on leave—particularly those from the Dominions, Allied countries, and the provinces.

Scouts are sent to hotels and clubs to "rake in" any well-purposed "probables" they find.

The police recently raided so many gambling dens that it became over-risky to run "parties" in the same place for more than one night.

Some Mayfair mansions were rented for longer periods. But men were sent in who got sufficient evidence for a conviction and then opened the doors to uniformed police.

But it is easier than ever before to find "suitable" premises for single nights because so many flats and houses have been evacuated.

Some agents, at their wits' ends to find tenants, are only too willing to let a flat for a night to a man "about to be called up," wanting to give a farewell party to his friends and willing to pay an unusually high price for the privilege.

By the time the "lamps" are brought to the fleecing, the flat has been stocked with food, wine, and

Mr. McNutt On Far East Situation

AMERICA'S STAKE in Asia is "far too real" to be abandoned in order to appease the political machine now happening to be in power in Tokyo, declared Mr. Paul McNutt, Federal Security Administrator, and formerly High Commissioner of the Philippines, addressing the Chinese community in Washington, on the occasion of the fourth anniversary of the outbreak of the Sino-Japanese hostilities.

A Russian defeat might result in outright Japanese-Axis military collaboration.

The United States and China must act to prevent the "unification of the totalitarian battlefield" across all of Europe and Asia.

"THE TIME HAS COME TO ACT, AND CHINA AND AMERICA MUST EACH SHOULDER A FAIR SHARE OF THE BURDEN IN PUTTING DOWN THIS OLD DISORDER WHICH SEEKS TO SUBJUGATE THE FREE PEOPLES OF THE WORLD."

"Any nation teaming up, like Japan, with the Axis threat must do so expecting to shoulder all the consequences of her actions. That comment is more than a generality."

Chinese Victory

Certainly, "the United States should not permit the reef of islands from Kamchatka to Borneo to stand as military or naval barriers between the United States and the continent of Asia. In unfriendly hands such barriers would block, forever, trade with China and the Dutch East Indies."

FOUR-SQUARE AGAINST HITLERISM

Great Britain, the United States, the Soviet Union and China, with other liberty-loving nations, constitute a world-wide front against aggression, declared Mr. Wellington Koo, the Chinese Ambassador, at a London meeting yesterday of the China Campaign Committee.

"Alliance or no alliance," he added, "the victory or defeat of one will have an immediate and far-reaching effect upon the others. The closer their collaboration, the surer and sooner will be their final victory."

China believed, with greater conviction than ever, that the world order of peace and security could only be built on the principle of collective security and mutual aid.

After four years of war, Japan has been stalemated with a million of her soldiers bogged in China.—Reuter

gambling tables.

Even those visitors who manage to win—and they are a minority—pay back to the promoters a large part in percentages, and for food and wine.

CHINA READY FOR FOUR OR 14 MORE YEARS

"China is fully prepared to continue the war for four or 14 more years if necessary in order to win the final victory," declared Dr. Quo Tai-chi, China's Foreign Minister, in a broadcast to America from Chungking yesterday.—Reuter

MORE PEOPLE ARE WEARING GLASSES

The black-out and factory lighting conditions are responsible for a boom in the optical trade.

A member of the British Optical Association says that more people are wearing glasses to-day than before the war.

"The chief reason is that more people are working in artificial light which, in some cases is very poor."

"A good many of these are men beyond the age of 40, which is the age when, as a rule, they need glasses for close work."

"Many of them, previously engaged in outdoor occupations and now doing work under black-out conditions, have suffered from eye strain and have had to wear glasses to correct it."

"From my experience more women than men are wearing glasses to-day. The women are not shy about wearing spectacles, as once they were. Many of them, of course, are spending a good deal of time knitting comforts for the Services, often in artificial light."

"We find some difficulty in obtaining frames, and in a short time we shall not be able to supply frames in the same variety as before."—Reuter

JAPANESE WAR MINISTER'S WARNING

IN A STATEMENT in Tokyo yesterday, the fourth anniversary of the outbreak of the Sino-Japanese hostilities, the War Minister, General Tojo, urged the people to renew their efforts for liquidating the China Affair as early as possible and to be prepared, at the same time, against any eventuality which might occur as a result of the European war.

Japan's objectives in maintaining the peace and security of China as well as creating a New Order in East Asia was gradually being realised, added the War Minister.

He warned, however, that Japan must depend on herself in meeting any crisis in the future.

All the metropolitan papers featured editorials dealing with the significance of Japan completing four years of hostilities in China.

"Japan has weathered the storm. The position the country finds itself in at the end of the

JULY 7 RAID ON CHUNGKING

Chungking's observance of the fourth anniversary of the outbreak of the Sino-Japanese hostilities was interrupted yesterday morning by a raid by 27 Japanese aircraft which heavily bombed the western suburbs.

The main target was the much-bombed Press Hostel compound.

Several big bombs landed in the vicinity of the Hostel where foreign correspondents were staying.

Chungking was beflagged. All Government offices worked as usual while amusement places, contrary to previous years, remained open but presented programmes.

This raid followed one on Sunday evening in which 23 planes attacked in three waves, also concentrating on the compound of the Press Hostel.—Reuter

WAVELL'S HABITS

I drote recently of General Wavell's habits and I have had an interesting letter concerning them, writes an "Evening Standard" reporter.

General Wavell seems to take life easily because he has mastered the art of organising. He is the opposite of those men who are forever talking about the burden of their labours and who, as Lloyd George said of Ramsay MacDonald, "are too busy to do any work."

Wavell does not believe in plodding at work or slogging in war. "The genius of the British lies in lightning attack, a quick rain of blows on a bewildered adversary and victory by a knock-out."

The toe-to-toe bruising of the Western Front in 1916 baffled him. The swift, wide-ranging sweeps of Allenby's campaign in 1917-18 gave him the key of the new warfare.

Gaziani Dagger

At six Wavell got his first view of Egypt. He was on his way to India. He wrote in his diary, July 1880: "Went ashore at Port Said."

He was old enough to fight the Boers a few years later. And then in the last war he went back to Africa again.

There he met an Italian soldier called Graziani, said to be a master of desert warfare. Together they led a raid on a Senussi outpost and afterwards exchanged daggers inscribed, "United we are the masters."

Paratroop Pioneers

There is only one other place that Wavell knows as well as Africa. It is Russia, which he first visited as attaché just before the Revolution.

He has been back several times, and the last time he sent despatches home praising highly a new Red Army tactic of infiltration.

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LATEST NEWS FROM THE RUSSO-GERMAN FRONT IS FAVOURABLE TO THE RUSSIANS, THOUGH THAT DOES NOT MEAN THAT THE BATTLE HAS YET BEEN WON.

This is, perhaps, the most decisive battle in the world's history and it is the greatest in breadth of front, the numbers engaged and the weight of equipment employed.

The fate of Russia is not the only question now being decided, but the fate of every nation in the world, not excepting those on the American continent.

Hitler seeks world domination, ensure rapidity and destruction is with all peoples the slaves of the being thrown into the struggle 80,000,000 Germans. Every plane, energetically and ruthlessly by the gun, modern device and every Nazi General Staff. Fortunately, for the Russians man which can be concentrated to

and for the Allies, Russian military doctrine is also based upon total war.

Russian Masses

It is now evident that Russian preparations have been on a great scale and that they have not failed to note that efficiency in planes, tanks and artillery are not in themselves sufficient to ensure victory against great masses: numbers are also required.

The Russians are now bringing up their own masses of well-equipped troops into action.

Moreover, it is apparent that they recognise that the modern idea of "defence in depth" does not merely mean a number of fortified posts and forts scattered in however deep a belt and purely static and defensive in action.

To-day's Tactics

On the contrary, the offensive of to-day — the "breakthrough" by powerful motorised columns followed by large numbers of troops who will then develop the matter of encirclements — can only be met by equally powerful and large masses in reserve.

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These principles, the Russians seem to be putting into resolute action.

Looking at the battlefield in more detail, and starting from the north, it seems that the Germans have captured neither Murmansk nor the railway to the south, though they claimed to have done so several days ago. The attack further south, on the Karelian Isthmus has not advanced at all, and does not seem to be heavily pressed. — Reuter.

FOUR RAID ALARMS IN MALTA

MALTA HAD FOUR ALARMS ON SUNDAY NIGHT, SAYS A COMMUNIQUE. ENEMY AIRCRAFT CAME OVER SINGLY DURING THE GREATER PART OF THE NIGHT.

Many bombs were dropped in the various localities, some civilian damage was caused but there were few casualties.

Searchlights were active and anti-aircraft guns put up several barrages. One enemy bomber was intercepted when returning to its base by a British fighter and was shot down into the sea in flames. — Reuter.

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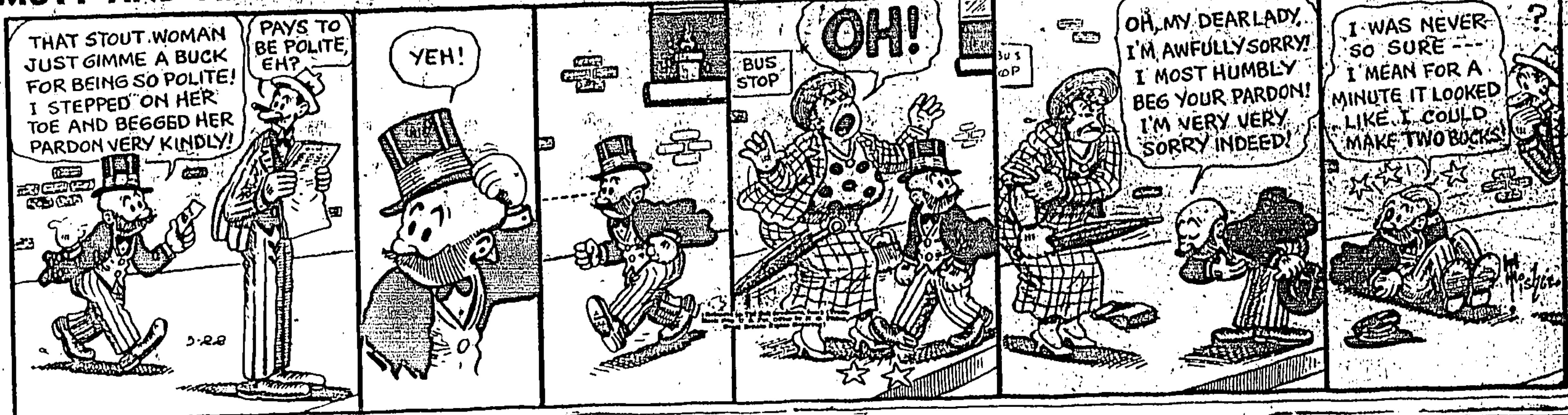
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The Navy Department in Washington yesterday asked Congress to appropriate an additional U.S.\$85,000,000. to augment its ship-building programme, of which U.S.\$10,000,000 will be for increased repairing facilities. — Reuter.

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EMPIRE'S CHOICE

MR. HERBERT MORRISON, THE HOME SECRETARY, EXPLAINING THE CHOICE FACING THE BRITISH EMPIRE IN THIS WAR, SAID IT WAS EITHER MEANT TO CONTINUE OUR SACRIFICE AND DETERMINATION TO WIN OR TO SURRENDER, WHICH WOULD MEAN SPIRITUAL DEATH.

If there was anyone who wanted to believe in Hitler's words, the invasion of Russia proved to him how much that word was to be trusted.

Mr. Morrison concluded: There is no room for compromise and that there is no room for dealing with a man who could not and never would be trusted. — Reuter.

ENEMY SHIPS BLASTED AT PALERMO

A PARTICULARLY successful attack on enemy shipping by the Royal Air Force on Sunday in the harbour at Palermo was announced in yesterday's R.A.F. Middle East communiqué.

Heavy damage was inflicted on several vessels. Eight thousand tons ships were hit by two bombs and hits were also made on shipping of 5,000 and 2,000 tons.

A ship of 1,000 tons set on fire by three bombs emitted clouds of black smoke accompanied by explosions.

Another ship of 5,000 tons was hit by incendiary bombs.

In Syria, R.A.F. bomber and fighter aircraft continue active support of the operations of the ground forces.

Aleppo Attack

On Sunday night the Aleppo aerodrome was successfully attacked. Bombs fell on the runways and hangars causing several fires and explosions.

The same aerodrome was attacked several times during the previous night. During Sunday night's attack three aircraft were set on fire on the ground and a number of others damaged or destroyed by incendiaries and machine-gunning.

Beirut was also attacked on Sunday night. Bombs were seen to fall near the barracks and railway sidings. Several targets in the neighbourhood of Damour were also attacked, big bombs straddling a bridge and gun battery.

British fighters again attacked Vichy shipping in the harbour of Aduad.

Benghazi Again

Libya: In Cyrenaica during the night of Saturday and Sunday raids were made on docks and shipping at Benghazi. Bombs fell on the moles, among railway sidings and in a motor-transport park and a number of fires were started.

From all these operations, all British aircraft returned safely. — Reuter.

KING OF GREECE IN SOUTH AFRICA

King George of Greece arrived in South Africa yesterday and was accompanied by members of his suite. — Reuter.

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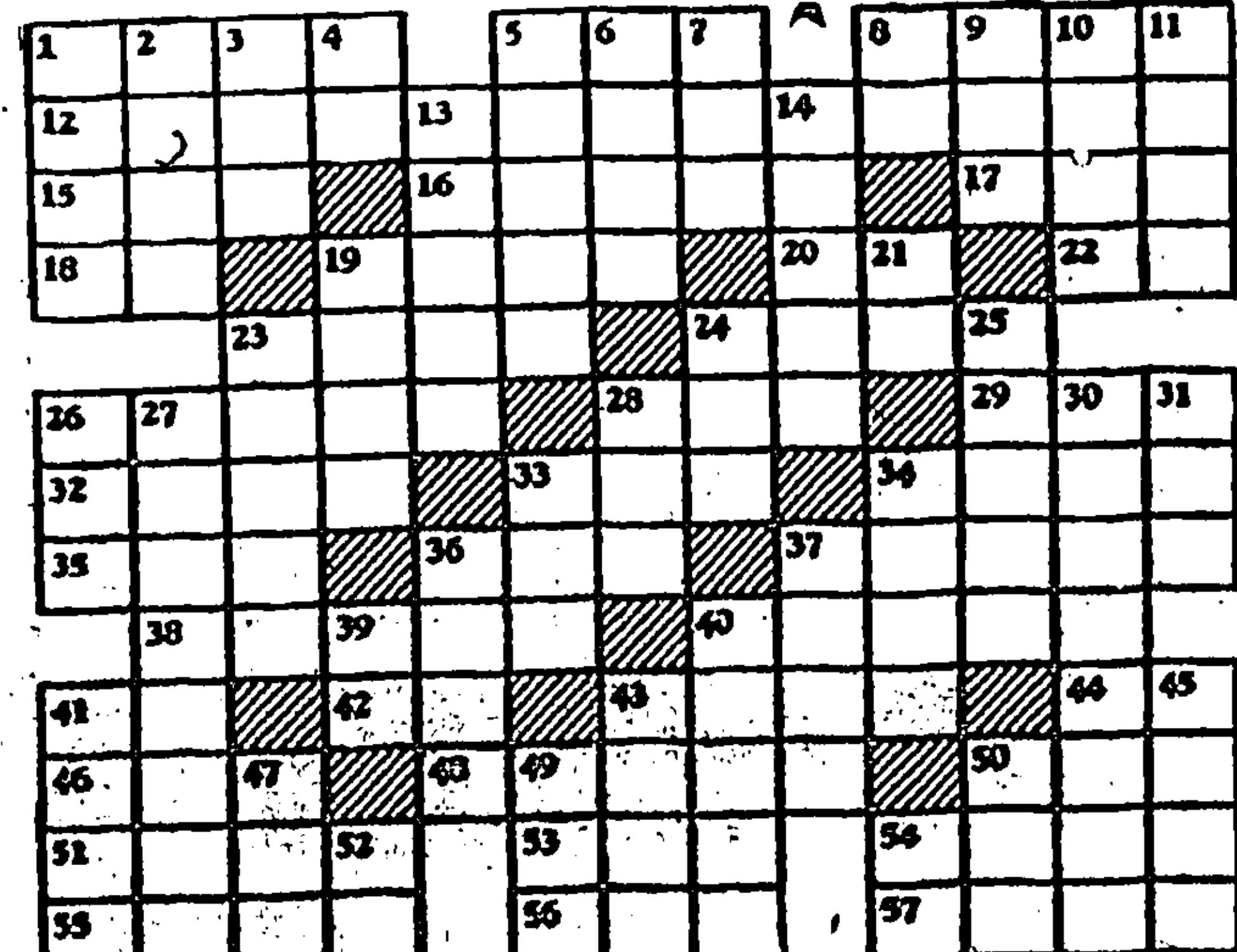
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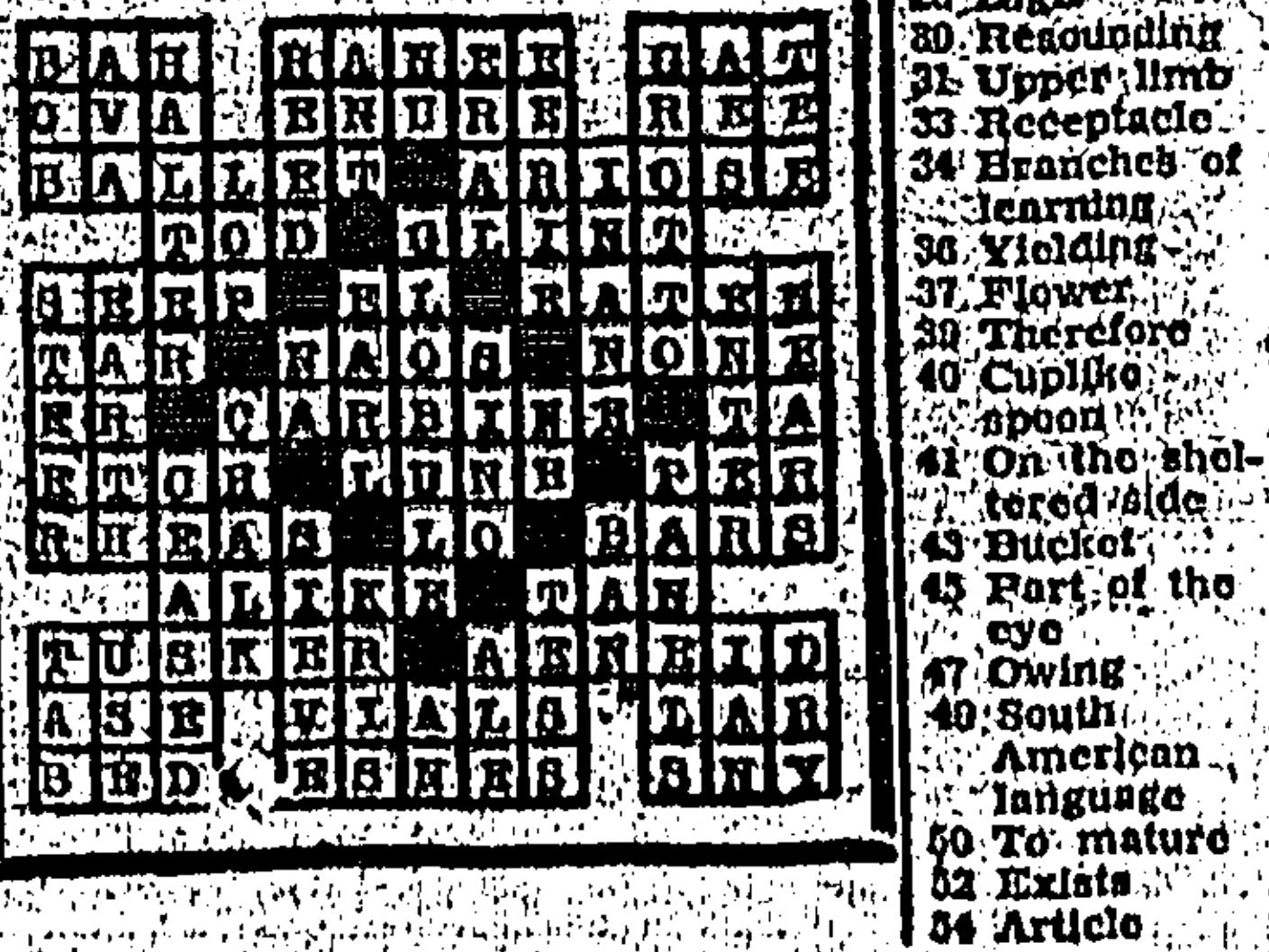
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- Cobine, monkey
- Continent
- To get a wrong idea of
- Type-measure
- Chances
- Greek letter
- Symbol for apodium
- Location
- Note of scale
- Sacred
- Du-word
- Wild plum
- Bequeathed
- Foreign
- Sticky
- Substance
- Constellation
- Ion
- To serve
- Food
- Granul of maple
- To urge
- To petition
- Geometrical solid
- Ancient story-teller
- Game, of chance
- Indian mulberry
- Concerning

VERTICAL

- Defile between mountains
- Symbol for nickel
- Cover
- Sycophant
- Swiss river
- Small case
- Nothing
- Hindu deity
- Watches
- Beverage
- Snares
- So be it
- Silver amalgam
- Worm
- Ninety
- To strike
- Projecting part of a building
- To irritate
- Exclamation of approval
- To observe
- Preposition
- First man
- Constellation
- Compound ether
- Winter vehicle
- Whether
- To burn
- Youth
- Unsightly
- Devoured
- Lawfulness
- Digit
- Remoulding
- Upper limb
- Receptacle
- Branches of learning
- Yielding
- Flower
- Therefore
- Cuplike
- Spoon
- On the sheltered side
- Bucket
- Part of the eye
- Owing
- South American language
- To mature
- Exists
- Article

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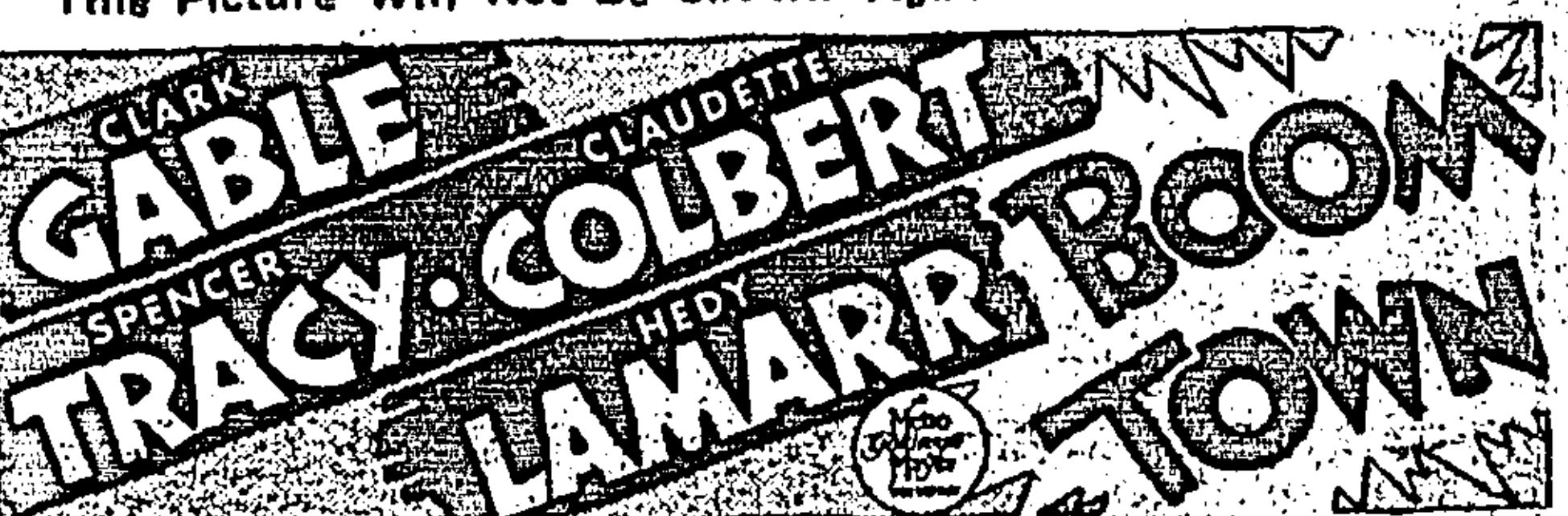


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LITERACY DRIVE AIDS CHINA AGAINST INVADERS

CHINA, DESPITE its four years of war, is carrying on an active campaign to make its ignorant masses literate.

There is admittedly a tremendous distance to go in order to reach that goal, but the war itself has helped and elderly men and women are able to understand the printed announcements and bulletins posted on walls and store fronts.

One reason for this development has been the Chungking Government's desire to enable a larger part of the population to read and absorb anti-Japanese propaganda.

It is realized that the man who is able to understand a handbill denouncing the Japanese Army is far more likely to continue his support of his government. Therefore, along with education in the simple characters, have come large doses of patriotic exhortations.

A second reason accounting for the spread of literacy is the availability of teachers. Thousands of young people with middle and vocational school training and college and university educations fled inland before the Japanese troops. Some of them are eager to assist in any way they are able and jump at the opportunity of scattering learning throughout their country. Others who had planned to teach at schools or colleges in the more advanced coastal provinces if the war had not prevented them have merely shifted the scene of their lifework.

Illiteracy Widespread

Admittedly statistics in China can be far from accurate, but according to C. Y. W. Meng, a widely-known Chinese newspaperman writing in the China Journal, there are approximately 360,000,000 illiterates in this country out of a total population of 450,000,000. Many, however, are children and many others, for one reason or another, are not potential students.

A Five-Year Mass Educational Plan, sponsored by the Central Government, is aimed at the 140,000,000 illiterate persons between the ages of 15 and 45 who have never had any school at all. Illiterate children are being taught in regular primary schools.

The Mass Educational Plan, begun last year, has been modified according to local conditions and requirements. In some of the more advanced provinces progress has been rapid and authorities are ahead of schedule, while in others the work has been slow and has fallen behind preliminary expectations.

During the first two years, it is hoped, one "people's school" is to be established for between every 300 and 700 families.

This figure is open to considerable change, due to local geographic conditions and availability of teachers, but a minimum aim is to see a nucleus school serving every village. In the following three years additional schools are to be added until at the end of the allotted period the Government hopes to have a school to every 100 to 150 families.

Chekiang Programme

Beginning last summer, Chekiang Province pushed the Government's programme intensely, making it compulsory for adults unable to read or write to attend classes.

Text-books are supplied free of charge and pupils living so far from the educational centres that they were unable to live at home received help to defray expenses. In the city of Chengtu, 40,000 formerly illiterate persons have been taught to read and write and evening classes during the next three years aim at eliminating illiteracy in the city.

In other cities and provinces the story is the same. Szechuan has already provided schooling for 5,000,000 out of 18,000,000 adult illiterates. Kwangsi, where educational standards have been low, has changed the Five-Year Plan to a Six-Year one and has incorporated the "people's schools" into the cooperative enterprises.

The progress in this province has been startling, Mr. Meng said, reporting that the Chinese Post Office finds more letters being written and received by front-

line Kwangsi troops than by any others in the Government's armies.

In the far west circuit-riders bring education to the doors of people in Ninghsia and Chinghai Provinces, since they are so scattered throughout the sparsely-settled areas that it is impossible for them to attend regular classes. Special instruction is given in some schools in Chinghai for Moslems, Mongols, and Tibetans.

Communist Stronghold

Chongming province, where the Communists' influence is all-pervading, has placed its educational problems in the hands of the army, militia and local peace preservation corps. Political leaders teach new recruits and the immediate aim is to enable every man in uniform to be able to read and write. Classes are conducted in the factories and cooperatives by instructors.

Sinkiang, which had only 60 schools and 2,000 pupils before the war and which now has 1,600 schools and 160,000 students, pays subsidies of three dollars a month to the families of pupils to encourage voluntary enrollment.

In addition to "pure learning" great strides have been made in interior China with vocational and agricultural education. Schools have sprung up throughout the country. Classes are being given in such subjects as nursing, spinning and weaving, automobile repairs and pharmacy. In some areas middle school pupils are required to show a knowledge of agriculture before being given their diplomas and they are made to till the soil as part of their regular education.

ROMANCE PASSED BY CENSOR

Nineteen-year-old Joan Pogson, pretty daughter of a wealthy Yorkshire yarn spinner, has become engaged to a prisoner of war in Germany—by permission of the British and German censors.

Her (censored) romance has been carried on by post, and every one of her love letters bears the official stamp on it.

Her fiance is 20-year-old Capt. William Tyas Lawton, only son of Capt. and Mrs. Lawton, of Newmill, Yorkshire. Joan is the only daughter of Capt. and Mrs. W. Cecil Pogson, of Hill Crest, Slathwaite.

Her Picture

The two were childhood friends. He took her photograph with him when he went to France as a second lieutenant at the outbreak of war. He still has it at his Oflag.

"We were just friends then," said Joan recently, "but the letters we've been allowed to send each other have shown that we care very much."

"He asked if I'd marry him when he comes home—he said he was sorry he couldn't help choose the engagement ring."

"Now he's got my answer—Yes. And I've bought the ring and written to tell him all about it and just what it is like and how proud I am to wear it."

Kind Censors

"Both the British and German censors have been kind in not cutting out of our letters any of the little 'bits' that are rather

RICH GIRL A FITTER'S MATE

Pretty Yolanda de Ferranti, 20-year-old Society girl, who was presented at Court in 1939, is showing the war-work way to young women of leisure. Her father Mr. V. Z. de Ferranti, is head of the world-famous firm of electrical engineers.

But for the past few months Miss Ferranti has been a 39s. 6d.-a-week fitter's mate at a war factory—and not her father's factory.

Every morning at seven, neatly clad in her blue-trousered overalls, Miss Yolanda calls "good-bye" to the servants of her country home in Brookland, Alderley Edge, Cheshire, mounts her bicycle, and rides several miles to work.

As soon as she enters the factory Miss Yolanda becomes "Yo" to her fellow-workgirls and to "Abe," the fitter for whom she works.

Father Is Proud

From 8 a.m. to 6.30 p.m. she is on the job, polishing metal parts for "Abe," plying hammer, spanner, and screwdriver.

"Some of her girl friends round here think she's mad," said her mother to a reporter. "But she doesn't mind. She went to the Employment Exchange, having decided that it would not be right to go into her father's firm."

"We are proud of her," her father said.

When she came home after finishing work at the factory Miss de Ferranti explained her job.

"It's just doing things that I can do without any training which otherwise 'Abe' would have to do," she said. "He does the difficult parts and I do the easy ones."

"But I love the work because I feel that, however simple it is, I am doing something useful by leaving Abe more time to get on with the skilled jobs."

"I haven't had any training, but gradually one gets more skilled by watching and working."

"I've never felt happier in my life."

HER TROUSERS INFURIATE HIM

Because he considered his stepdaughter, 19, should not wear trousers, John Coutts Kendall, of Myrtle Road, Exeter, quarrelled with his wife and refused to pay her £1 a week maintenance.

He was sent to prison for a month for being £4 3s. 6d. in arrears.

The Mayor pointed out to Kendall that his conductresses wear trousers.

Kendall: But are they out at night until eleven o'clock?

The Mayor: Yes, they are.

The magistrate added that his daughter had been out until 2.30 that morning wearing trousers.

Kendall: But did your wife have to go down and fetch her in from an Air Force man?

The Clerk: That is not a good reason for refusing to maintain your wife.

Important to engaged people. "He tells me he's attending education classes in the camp and he and other prisoners have organised a dance band and a dramatic society."

Joan is doing A.R.P. work. Her father is a member of Pogson and Co., yarn spinners. Captain Lawton's father is a woollen manufacturer.

CHINA MAIL
WINDSOR HOUSE

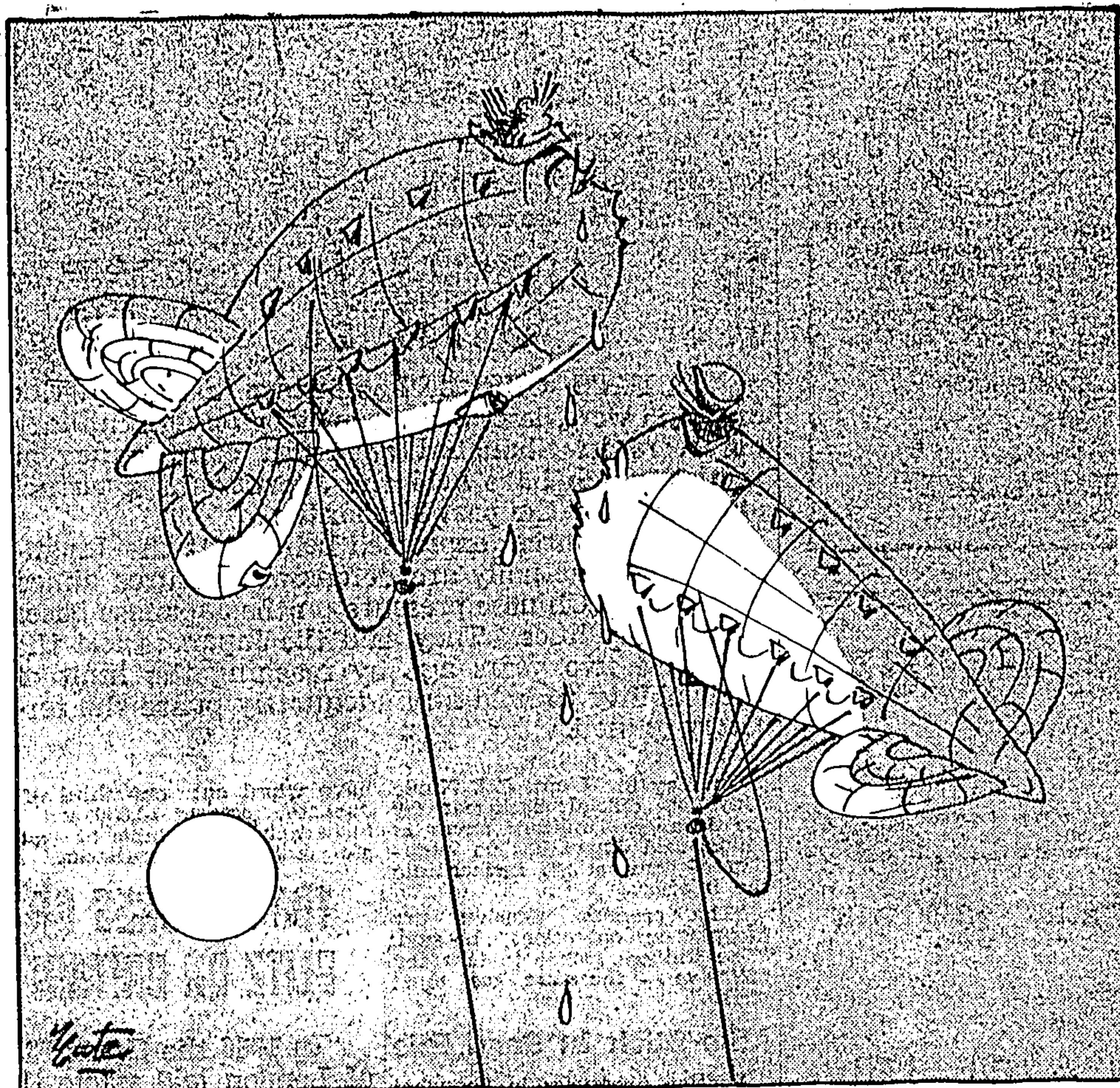
THE DEMOCRATIC PEACE

If the dangerous idea still lingers anywhere in bomb-torn Britain that it might one day be possible to make with the German Army the peace which cannot be made with Hitlerism, Mr. Anthony Eden does not share it. If the illusion persists that Britain can weaken the Nazis' hold over the German people by promises of future leniency, the Foreign Minister's latest version of British "peace aims" gives it little support. He is rather more emphatic than any previous spokesman in his declaration that British peace terms "will be designed to prevent a repetition of Germany's misdeeds"; that Germany is "the worst master Europe has yet known" and must "never be in a position" to violate European peace again. It is not Hitler of whom he speaks, but Germany. The words foreclose any fictitious peace of appeasement with an unbroken German military power, by whatever name it might be called; they give no guarantees to the Germans and imply a total victory, or defeat.

Nothing else is possible to-day, and it is useless to dream of any easier exit from the immeasurable savagery which Hitlerism has forced upon the world. Either Germany must make the future or the democracies, and whichever wins the right to do so, the other must and will be put beyond the power of forcibly overthrowing the structure. The issue has passed beyond promises of leniency to the vanquished power; the only promises that can now be made are promises of the kind of future which the victory of one side or the other will hold out to all the peoples. There Mr. Eden places the possibilities of a British victory beside those offered by the totalitarians. Where Hitlerism is driven imperiously to ravage everything within its reach, "it is obvious that we have no motive of self-interest prompting us to economic exploitation of Germany or of the rest of Europe." Where Hitlerism carries privation wherever it goes, a British victory will immediately open up to Germans and to all Europeans the mounting stores of the British Commonwealth and the Americas. It is to the British interest to restore political and spiritual freedom, to restore a fruitful international exchange of goods, to avert the starvation and want into which such vast areas of the world are so rapidly sinking, and must continue to sink under a Hitler empire. And these are Britain's peace aims, and what the world — Germans, as well as Englishmen or Greeks or Americans or Japanese — may expect of a British victory.

They are not precise; it is doubtful if any plans for the future could be drawn with precision now. But they are very great aims. What Mr. Eden fails to do, as other British spokesmen have failed, is to make them glow with the tremendous possibilities latent in them. He gives them a dull, a negative, and almost apologetic cast. He promises that Britain will not repeat the economic follies of the years after 1918, will not return to the politico-social chaos of the pre-war world. He does not show how dead that system already is. In Britain, how great are the real creative powers of democracy, not just to refrain from past errors, but to strike out for new political and social inventions. Mr. Eden does not show it; democracy as a whole, placidly sure of itself, has failed to show it to the world.

These are great aims, all the greater, because they are not embodied in a precise plan to be dictated to humanity, but are a challenge and an invitation to all peoples to collaborate in their realization. Democracy has peace aims — for more, it has peace possibilities — which now, already, are dazzling beside the tinsel with



"We are fading I think, My Gertie!"

"Why?"

"Well, we aren't attracting the blitz boys any more."

Wanted A Fresh Air Plan

SEVERAL weeks ago a Nazi bomb destroyed three houses a hundred yards from my door.

At first, as I passed them, what I felt was a blend of anger and pity. Three homes lay in brutal confusion — books and beading toys and bricks.

On the top of the heap was a page torn from Mr. Wells's "Outline of History." From under his bushy brows Neanderthal man surveyed our civilisation.

Gradually the wreckage was cleared, and now I pass the gap with a disposition to thank that unknown enemy. He let in light and air, and he set me planning.

I realised more sharply, than ever I had done before what abject victims we all are to property and tradition.

Many wise men have been busy in drafting a new version of the rights of man. If I had to do it I know what right I should put first — the right to fresh air and sunlight, the right to a long vista of space, the right to see green grass and trees.

We are pitiful slaves if we allow the landlords and the lawyers to rob us of these things.

We have all been reflecting in this style since the bombs began to fall. I defy anyone, even Colonel Blimp, to visit the devastated area round the docks without wanting to sweep away this squalor built by greed.

We all realise that if these mean two-storeyed streets gave way to buildings even four storeys high, we could devote half the space they cover to lawns and flower-beds; if we built them eight or twelve storeys high, every docker might live in a park.

Shall we do it? Some of us are brave enough to plan the future city so.

We have all been congratulating first of all the architect and then the City Council of Coventry, because they have had the courage and intelligence to sweep away the entire wreckage of the which the Nazi propagandists have successfully bemused so many minds. It is not more precise blueprints which democracy now requires. It is the energy and confidence to propagate throughout the world, by every means of modern communication, by every appeal to the imagination and the enthusiasm of men, the immense promise which it now carries.

chaotic past and plan anew with modern notions of health and transport.

So long as it is towns we have to plan, our Labour Movement has sound instincts. In one sense, too, it cares about the country. Even round London, before it is too late, we may save as our play-

By H. N.
Brailsford

ground the Chiltern woods and the Surrey hills. The country as a park in which we may walk on a Sunday is an idea we have grasped.

I think we may trust Arthur Greenwood to remember this in his planning.

But is that all we mean by the countryside?

If such notions govern our planning, we shall destroy our island and falsify our history.

Land is earth into which men drive the spade and the plough. Land is first of all the soil in which grass and wheat and potatoes spread their roots. Land is food, but, above all, land is labour.

Do not let the Book of Genesis mislead you. Round every farm and in every villager's garden man is the creator who, made the dry land.

Have you ever asked how the black earth round some venerable thatched cottage got its colour? Generations of peasants made it through the centuries.

Patently, every winter they forked into it the dung and the wood, ashes that gave it fertility; their hoes let in the air and the frosts broke up what they had loosened.

In some regions of England man has been making the soil for three or four thousand years. From our men's photographs the archaeologists can tell us how the ancient Britons drove their ploughs at first round, little square fields and afterwards over long strips.

Century by century these ancestors of ours, a handful of men in a wilderness, drained the swamps, turned the forests and ploughed in the rough grass.

Wealth, what is wealth? The townsman thinks it is money you can make by speculating in building sites.

The countryman knows better.

made by draining and ploughing through thirty centuries.

That is what we are now destroying every year with suicidal speed in our unplanned countryside.

We are all aware that the speculative builder is ruining the beauty of our landscape. He is doing something even worse.

The ribbons of his tedious villas follow the roads and roads tend to me most numerous where the land is flat and fertile and well-worked.

Round a Chiltern village I know well I have been watching for ten years this rapid destruction of wealth. One by one the best fields are sold for building, and the dwindling farms produce less wheat and thinner milk, while the man who sells the land grows rich.

While some of us (with my warm sympathy) will plead with Mr. Greenwood that the amenities of the country shall be respected in his national plan, I want to plead for the wealth of the soil.

Of all claims on the land, the first should be the farmers', and when we assign to it its future use, our first care must be to protect the old pastures and the ploughed fields.

That means a revolution in our urban values, and it sets us the task of raising the countryman's standard of life — his cottage, his school and his recreations, as well as his wages — up to the townsmen's level.

But how, when we try to preserve the best land for its proper use as tillage, are we to meet the

Much of it is "ripening" for sale to the builder. Are we to pay an endless ransom in compensation, so that we may "sterilise" it?

The thing can be done on an adequate scale only when urban land and agricultural land are brought together under the common ownership of the nation.

What we lose, then, by forbidding building on fertile fields we shall balance by what we gain in site values by our urban improvements.

Given national ownership of the land, if will be possible to transplant industries to suit changed conditions and even to root up and replant a derelict town; what we lose here we make good there.

No system of control, however drastic, can vie with the advantages of ownership in planning. If we were to rest our case for it on that foundation and state it with good temper as men who love the earth and the sunlight, I sometimes dare to think we might carry it by general consent.

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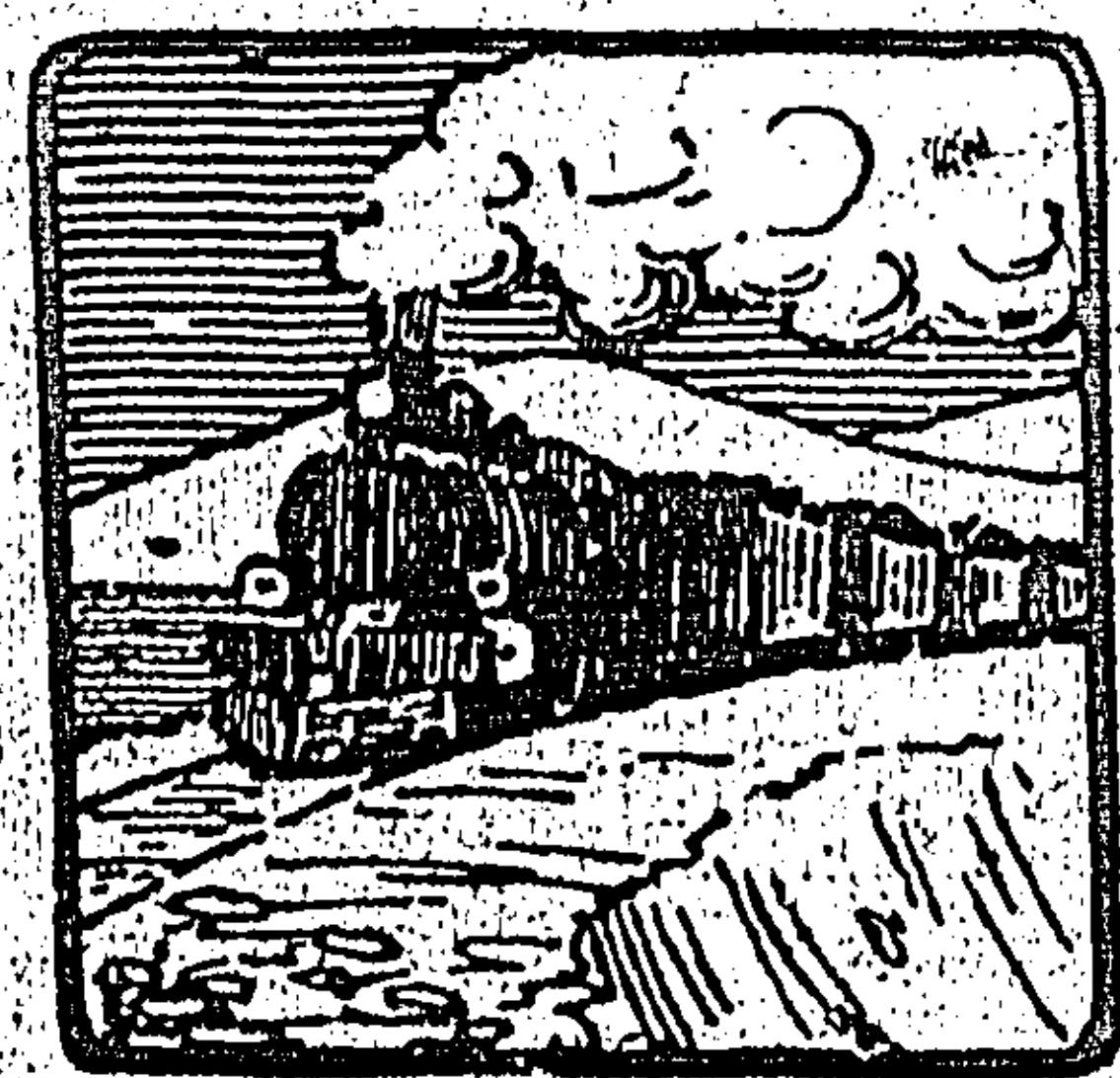
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JAPANESE STRATEGISTS BAFFLED BY STALEMATE IN "CHINA - AFFAIR"

JAPAN'S CURRENT offensive in the interior of China were described recently by foreign military observers in Shanghai as but a continuance of tactics which have held the Japanese at a virtual stalemate for the past 30 months.

These sources expressed belief that the Japanese attacks actually are defensive measures aimed at relieving Chinese pressure on the Japanese bases and supply lines. They said the Japanese lost the initiative two years ago by reaching the limit of their ability to hold and adequately police the territory gained.

On May 9, Lieut. Col. Kunio Akiyama, official spokesman for the Japanese military forces in China, said Japan has no intention of penetrating further into the interior.

"The present offensives are mopping-up operations," he said. "The Chinese refuse to take the offensive — therefore we must strike."

Like Stick In Sand Pile

Foreign observers in Shanghai compared present Japanese campaigns, as well as those of the past 2½ years, with the act of pushing a stick into a sand pile. When the stick is withdrawn, the sand floods back into the hole.

It has become standard Chinese tactics, they said, for the defenders to slip away when the Japanese struck. Then, when the Japanese return to their bases, the Chinese move back to resume harassing attacks.

The periodic mopping-up campaigns of the Japanese and their subsequent withdrawals have left the war picture essentially unchanged, these observers asserted, beyond the casualties which China can better afford than Japan.

Japanese conquest in China reached the high-water mark in 1938, these men say, when the capture of Canton and Hankow failed to bring about China's submission.

Cannot Break Stalemate

To-day the Japanese are baffled and at a loss to know how to move next in the China affair, the foreign observers stated, adding that the Japanese lack military strength necessary to break the stalemate.

The other-day, however, the Japanese command reported that the offensive along the Yellow River was nearing a successful conclusion as Japanese forces on the south bank seized six fording places, thus assertedly cutting off retreat of 200,000 Chinese troops seeking to escape from Shansi.

In Hupeh Province, the Japanese, advancing to the northwest along both banks of the Han River, reported they were driving back another body of 200,000 Chinese.

Contrasting the futile campaigns in the interior, military observers agree that the Japanese obtained important results in their recent operations along the coast whereby they clamped down on Chungking's supply lines.

On May 12 the Japanese took Walchow, north of Hong Kong, severing an important trade route which had been carrying a heavy and carefully shielded traffic to the interior.

Long Battle Front

Chinese dispatches to Hong Kong reported intensified fighting in South Shansi Province and said the main Chinese-Japanese battle line extended more than 150 miles in an inverted "V" shape from Tshinghsui to Slabsien and Menghsien.

Observers speculated on the possibility that Japan was forcing the battle with crack Chinese armies in an ambitious, offensive designed eventually to carry the invaders from Shansi to the hinterland of Szechwan across Southern Shansi Province.

Formidable obstacles to such a drive are the Yellow River, which the Japanese would have to cross, and strongly entrenched Chinese forces believed to number fully 1,000,000 men.

Meanwhile, in continuing battles in Honan and Hupeh Provinces, the Chinese claimed they

BOMBS CHANGE STIMMING

Time, the American news magazine, publishes the following letter in a recent issue, just arrived in England:

I got in an indirect way a letter from my home town in Germany . . . I give you the letter, which was written on December 28, 1940 in my own very textual translation:

"The nights were unquiet. Up to this moment we had 160 aviation alarms here in Dusseldorf. Realise how that spoils your nerves.

"The two alarms at the beginning of this month were especially hideous. The industries situated on the right side of the railroad have suffered especially, likewise the Graf Adolf Strasse.

Devastated

"Part of this street (one of the main streets in Dusseldorf) looks really devastated.

"In the Altstadt (old part of the city centre) too you find sad corners. A few thousand fire bombs have come down.

"The most terrible thing is the shooting. Often it lasts for three hours without any interruption. Soldiers who have participated in the French offensive say that it was not so bad at the front.

"It is difficult to learn how much industry has suffered as this is kept in great secret.

"The frame of mind (Stimmung) was naturally sky-high during the summer. Everywhere one could hear the stereotype phrase: In three weeks the war is finished.

"In the meantime that has changed and the frame of mind is going downwards strongly. All people are more than nervous."

PHANTOM SHIP GIVES NAZIS A HEADACHE

"THE PHANTOM sailed again." Those words will have been passed from mouth to mouth in Nazi-governed Norway following the lightning raid by a Norwegian warship on part of the Norwegian coast.

For weeks' a story has been sweeping Norway and trickling through into Sweden that a phantom destroyer has been dodging round Norway's coast, playing jokes on Nazi garrisons and outposts, and generally upsetting the complacency of Norway's temporary Nazi masters.

Now comes the news that the surprise Easter raid first reported via Stockholm was undertaken by a Norwegian warship under Norwegian command — in agreement with British naval authorities.

It took the Germans completely by surprise, according to reports reaching Stockholm from Oslo.

There were no British losses, and oil depots, a factory and harbour works were destroyed.

"She's Here Again!"

The first acts of the landing party were to cut telephone and telegraph lines, and take prisoners, the local leaders of Quisling's party.

The harbour which was raided is in the same district as Svolvær, the scene of the previous British and Norwegian raid on the Lofoten Islands.

The Berlin radio admitted that the local fish plant had been set

Ran Gauntlet

Tales are being told in the Northern countries of how she has been running the Nazi gauntlet to reach her own coastline, mining the entrances to hidden bays, destroying lonely outposts and capturing German small craft.

There is no news so far about which warship was engaged in the Easter raid.

But in Norway they'll be saying she was the phantom Sleipner, whose daring cheered up those Norwegians awaiting liberation from the aggressors.

ZOG SITS IN THE RITZ

---Hoping To Be King Again

ZOG OF ALBANIA, self-made ex-king born in a mountain hut, now sits in a luxury suite in the Ritz Hotel, London, W., listening to the radio and waiting for a message from Tirana, his former capital.

This guerilla chieftain, with a bomb-proof safe in his bedroom filled with valuables, hopes for the liberation of his country and for a call to reassume the throne.

CAPTAIN TRICKED U-BOAT

The King and the sea captain met on a bustling wharf in Glasgow, and the captain told the King that his ship had been torpedoed in the Atlantic.

This was his story. "A U-boat broke surface a hundred yards away.

"I went hard to starboard as quick as I could. But the U-boat was quick, too, and a torpedo struck the ship on the port side.

"We put up a smoke screen, and Mr. Johnson, my chief engineer, kept his engines at full speed, although at one time his 'shop' was full of water. Although she was listing to port, she was trimmed, and brought back on an even keel."

Last night's London Gazette announced that Captain Rice, of Holden-way, Upminster, Essex, and Chief Engineer Albert George Johnson, chief engineer, of Beresford Avenue, Bebington, Cheshire, are to be additional officers of the Order of the British Empire for saving "a most valuable ship" without the help of any other vessel.

Bombed

And here are two more reasons why the King is proud of his sailors:

A ship commanded by Captain John Joseph Robinson, of Runswick Bay, Yorkshire, was raked by machine-gun fire and hit by a whole stick of bombs. She began to go down by the head.

Captain Robinson had his right hand torn; all the boats were damaged. But he got the port lifeboat into the water. Having first made sure that no one was left on board, Captain Robinson, with twenty-seven men, stood by waiting calmly for a rescue ship.

Captain Robinson is also made an officer of the Order of the British Empire.

John Henry Cook, of St. Andrew Road, Gorleston-on-Sea, was master of an unarmed lightship which was bombed and machine-gunned.

A third of his crew was out of action, but Cook kept his ship on station as a good sea-mark, and "showed great courage and devotion to duty." He receives the medal of the Civil Division, O.B.E.

FATHER GUARDS HEROES' NAMES

Clydeside was the main objective of Nazi raiders on recently and casualties were heavy.

Belfast and other Ulster ports were also attacked.

Liverpool had its fifth successive raid. Damage was widespread, but casualties were few.

A weary-eyed man of about sixty-five, frayed war ribbons on his breast, stood watching a Liverpool rescue squad toiling recently amid charred ruins.

"My two lads are beneath that lot," he said. "They were

The Italians invaded Albania on Good Friday 1939 and he fled with his young Queen Geraldine and their day-old baby.

As soon as they were able to travel, they made their way to London and settled in a large suite at the Ritz. Zog had with him his sisters. They speak French, and preserve their royal dignity by speaking to strangers only through interpreters or secretaries.

This Good Friday they, too, were at the Ritz, waiting, with their radio—and their hopes.

Coffee In Raids

The London Ritz provides every usual amenity, including a comfortable air-raid shelter-dormitory.

But Zog has a special shelter. A part of the basement was set aside where he and his suite could rest in armchairs and sip Turkish coffee while the Luftwaffe operated.

A special shelter room was provided for Queen Geraldine, her baby, ex-Crown Prince of Albania, and a nurse. If there is a raid Zog's party always sits up until the "raiders passed" sounds and then they go to bed.

Gay Life

Zog lives a secluded life and is seldom seen about the hotel. French cooking appeals to him, but he touches no alcohol.

The British Government no longer recognises him as king, following the recognition of the Italian conquest—Mr. Neville Chamberlain said so in the House of Commons in October 1939.

But Zog still waits in the Ritz, with his radio and his hopes.

Zog, who is forty-five, became chief of his mountain clan at the age of fourteen. He went abroad and was educated in Vienna and Paris, and led the gay life of a university student. When he went home he took up the cause of emancipation from Turkish rule.

He entered Government service, became a Minister, and formed his own government in 1922. He allied himself with a clique of reactionary ex-officers, but when he tried to cut adrift from them they drove him from office in 1924. After fleeing his country from a revolution in 1926 he returned and became President. Blood was shed as he consolidated his rule, and he called in British experts to form a police force for him.

While he tried to increase the prosperity of his country, he found himself short of cash. Mussolini—Zog used to call him "the Lion"—nipped in with a timely offer of £2,000,000, and later with 100,000,000 gold francs.

Those loans gave the Duce the hold he wanted. He demanded eight years' interest in 1938, and Albania could not raise the sum.

So the next Good Friday

Mussolini seized Albania.

in the A.R.S. The building caved in on top of them as they were trying to rescue an injured fire-watcher from the flames."

The man refused to give his name.

"This is a war of nameless heroes," he explained. "The lads would sooner have it that way."

Food convoys from other northern cities went to the blitzed area.

THREE "LAWRENCESES" WORK FOR BRITISH

Count Byron de Prorok, who has just returned to New York after twenty years' work in Africa as an archaeologist, believes that he knows the names of three new "Lawrences of Arabia" working in Africa for the British, writes the correspondent of the "Evening Standard."

From scraps of information revealed by the Cairo communiques, and from knowledge he has picked up in Africa, he believes they are:

Major Ralph Alger Bagnold, leader of desert expeditions, veteran of the last war, and one of the greatest authorities in the world on the movements of sand dunes;

Mr. William Boyd Kennedy Shaw, a former member of the Sudan Forest Service and the Palestinian Department of Antiquities, a noted botanist and archaeologist;

Captain Norman Hillier, explorer, author, veteran of the last war, and organiser of a trading company which operated across the Libyan Desert, using light cars instead of camels.

Count de Prorok declared that "two other probable heroes of Britain's North African campaign" are Major John Glubb known to the Arabs as "the man with the scar," who organised the Bedouins in the twenties to fight Saudi Arabian raiders; and Major James Maxwell, former commander of Kurmuk, a friend and adviser of many Ethiopians.

"For years he has been studying trails through sand dunes. He must be the man who found the way to get light tanks through to attack Sidi Barrani, where the Italians were so confident it could not be done that they did not even post sentries over the dunes."

1,000ft. Hills

"Behind Sidi Barrani the dunes form hills 300 to 1,000ft. high, the height of the Eiffel Tower. They change constantly. Major Bagnold knows the winds of those parts; he knows how the dunes would change, and with his records and data and personal knowledge, he could very well have kept track of the changes until the exact moment when the dunes would pass and light cars could fly along on the rock surface beneath."

"In the Libyan desert that rock is as hard and flat as a billiard table."

"Mr. Shaw could have been the link between the British and Free French forces coming up from Lake Chad. He used to spend his time mapping the desert spaces in winter and then going to England in the hot weather to lecture and write."

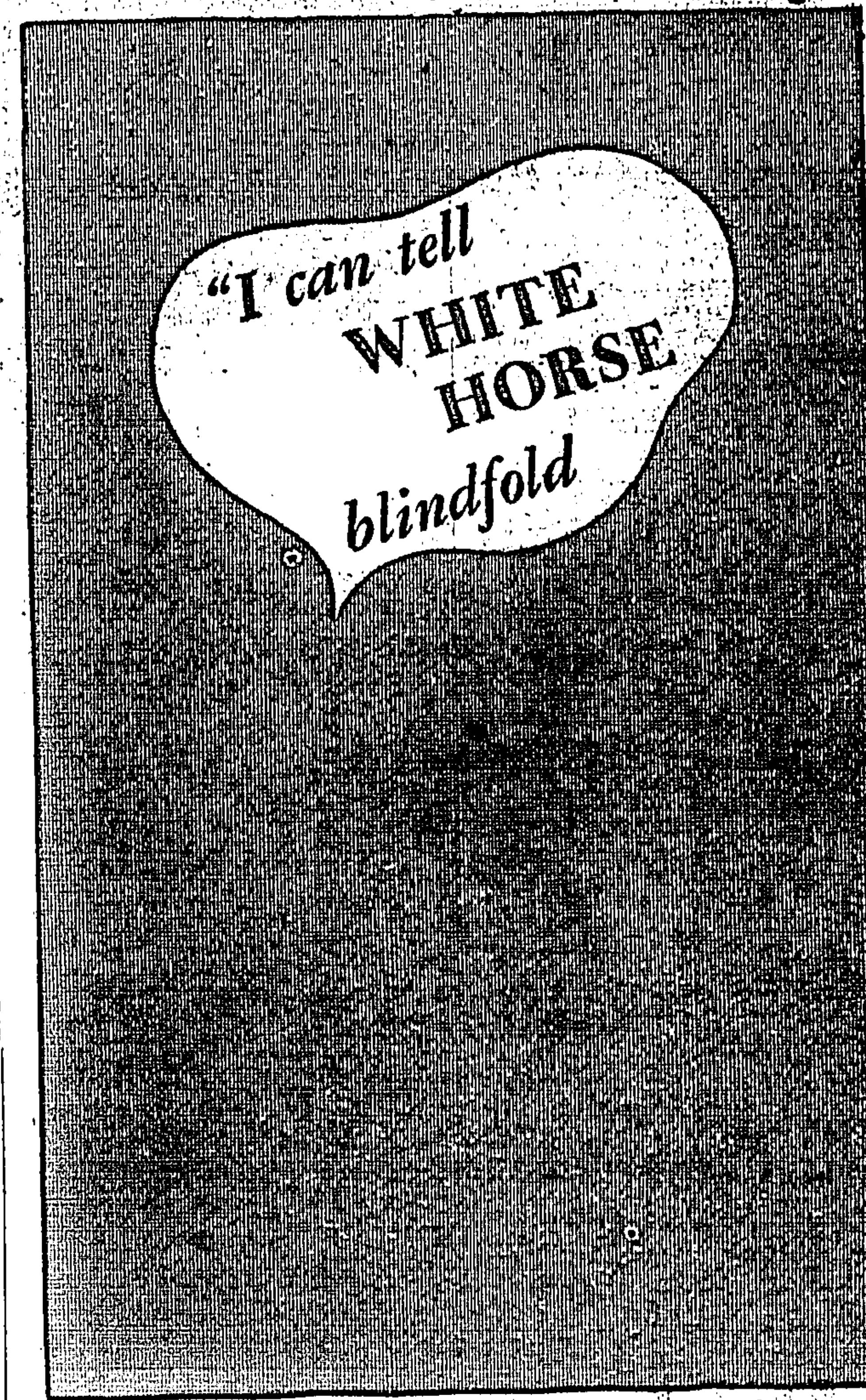
"Captain Hillier was without a job after the last war. With his experience of the desert he organised the Western Desert Transport Company."

"His headquarters were at Mersa Matruh where the British drive into Libya started, and Siwa, the great Oasis of Jupiter, in the heart of the desert."

"He had rest houses and depots of water and food placed strategically all over the desert."

The "Scimitars," who still call Graziani "the Butcher," are behind Hillier. They are behind anyone who is against Graziani.

Hillier helped hundreds of the tribesmen to escape from the barbed-wire fence Mussolini had set up along the Libyan-Egyptian frontier."



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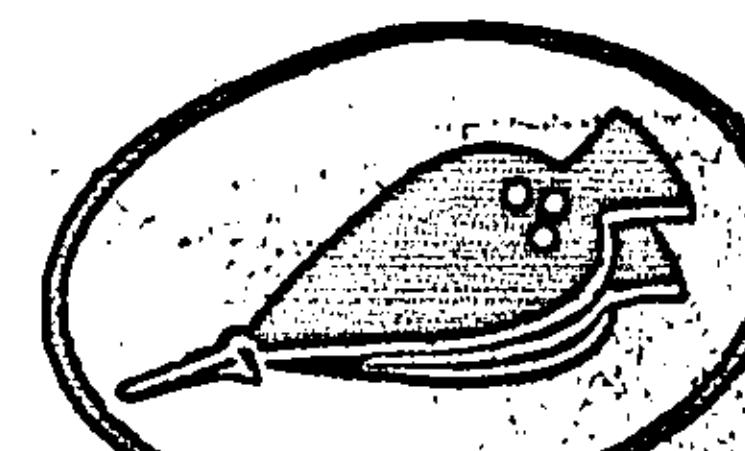
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BRIDGE NOTES

A USEFUL PLAY
By The Four Aces

To-day's hand illustrates a very useful defensive play, often missed by the average player:

South, Dealer
Both sides vulnerableNORTH
♦ A 8
♥ J 9 8 2
♦ 10 9 8
♣ J 5 3 2

WEST
♠ J 10 9 3
♥ A 6 4
♦ 7 2
♣ Q 9 6 4

EAST
♠ 7 6 5 4 2
♥ 7 5
♦ A 4 3
♣ K 10 7

SOUTH
♦ K Q
♥ K Q 10 3
♦ K Q J 6 5
♣ A 8The bidding:
South West North East
1♦ Pass 1NT Pass
2♥ Pass 3♦ Pass
4♦ Pass Pass Pass

West thought long and earnestly about the opening lead and finally hit upon the seven of diamonds. To be perfectly frank, we think his lead was dictated more by clairvoyance than any clear reasoning; but whatever the reason for it, the lead was the "killing" opening.

But it isn't enough to make the killing opening lead; you must also have a partner who can cooperate in the defense. Most players holding the East cards would automatically play the Ace of diamonds on the first trick. That would allow South to make his contract, for West would never be able to get a diamond ruff.

But East correctly read his partner's lead as the top of a doubleton, so he carefully refrained from winning the first trick. Instead he played the four of diamonds, the highest card he could spare to encourage a continuation when West regained the lead.

South overtook dummy's diamond eight with the Jack in order to lead the Queen of hearts, but West stepped up at once with the heart Ace in order to lead his remaining diamond. And then it was time for East to take his Ace and return the suit, giving his partner a ruff. Later on South had to give up a club trick, for a one-trick set.

* * *

Yesterday you were Oswald Jacoby's partner and, with neither side vulnerable, you held:

♦ Q 7 5
♥ 10 9 8
♦ A J 7 6 5 3
♣ AThe bidding:
You Schenken Jacoby MajorPass 1♦ Pass 2♦
2♦ Pass 3♦ 3♦
(?)

ANSWER: Pass. If you bid again, you will probably "push" the opponents into game at spades — and that's just what you don't want. By passing, you give them the chance to play the hand conservatively at only three spades.

Score 100% for pass, 50% for four diamonds, 20% for five diamonds.

Question No. 762

To-day you hold the same hand, and the bidding continues:

You Neillenken Jacoby Major
Pass 1♦ Pass 2♦
2♦ Pass 3♦ 3♦
(?)

What do you bid? (Answer to-morrow.)

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A SELF-EDUCATED ARMY IN BRITAIN

MOST PEOPLE ARE vaguely aware that, after many false starts, there is an Army education scheme in action, but they know very little about its purpose or about the way it works.

Until a few weeks ago, apart, of course, from technical military training, there was one single educational source in the Army — the one provided by the adult education bodies of Great Britain.

These bodies, working through regional committees, provided Army and R.A.F. units with lectures and discussions on a wide variety of subjects. The massed resources of university extension, W.E.A., local education authorities, &c. were thus lent, at first on a voluntary basis, to those citizens who had also become soldiers and airmen for the duration.

But adult education in peacetime provides lecturers for an audience not one-twentieth the size of the Army to-day. The only possible way of supplementing this inadequate ration of imported education was for the Army to attempt to produce some of its own education. In its wise and imaginative pamphlet "Education in the War-time Army," as well as in later instructions, the War Office has urged on units the importance of developing their own cultural resources, and to-day, although the Army is using to the full the available services of the adult education bodies, it is also increasing, week by week, the number of "home-produce" educational classes. Unit education officers are now finding and using the teaching talent of officers and men at a rapidly increasing rate.

Good And Bad.

Anyone who has spent a few weeks observing at close quarters the development of the new Army education scheme is at first bewildered by the contrasts it presents. In one unit the only sample you are offered is a week dedicated to such a topic as "Amateur v. professional in sport" or a spirited performance by a small percussion band.

But in another unit you will find a timetable which includes within a single week classes in French, German, music, drama, world affairs, local government, elementary science, and archaeology.

There are units so well off in teaching talent that they can not only provide their own men with a wide choice of subjects but can also lend their surplus to their poorer neighbours. In many places, again, the soldiers still depend entirely on the "imported" educational rations instead of providing their own.

The truth is that in this still tentative and experimental scheme several policies are operating, and not all of them are effective or even desirable. In some places, for example, the well-meaning but premature policy was tried of "training the men for the return to civil life." On this basis artisans were coaxed to consider the advantages of a black-coated life after the war and for a few brief and disillusioning weeks tried to learn book-keeping or shorthand or commercial French. This idea is now less favoured, and the local education authorities are better engaged, apart from the considerable aid they are giving, in technical training, in arranging courses in handicrafts, drama, music, and similar constructive kinds of recreation.

"Anti-Boredom"

Another policy which gained a hold for a time was the anti-boredom line. It is probable that some commanding officers who would have been indifferent to "education for its own sake" were persuaded to push the scheme for its value in keeping the men occupied in the winter evenings. The weakness of the anti-boredom policy was that it tended to develop an indiscriminating idea of education. "Any old thing to interest the men" is an attitude which might soon produce the effects of a Gresham's Law and reduces educational effort to a mere entertainment level.

But one Major, Mr. Lee, commanding officers to-day, about the anti-boredom value of education and far more about its value as a stimulus to thought and as a provoker of positive new interests and occupations.



The office stenog says it's the boss' indisposition and not her sunburn that turns working hours on Monday into one long heated argument.

GROUND STAFF DOWN NAZI RAIDER

A German bomber recently emerged from a low layer of cloud above a group of ground defence crews of the R.A.F. Army Cooperation Command.

For long these gunners had been waiting to test their skill against an enemy raider, and they were ready.

The German airman swept the ground with a hail of machine-gun bullets. Disregarding this vicious attack, the R.A.F. ground crews held their fire and then took a steady aim.

The raider, still firing, circled around them. But the gunners continued firing, too—and fired so accurately that the Nazi aircraft crashed a few miles away and its crew was killed.

Only one R.A.F. man felt disappointed. His gun jammed as the Germans approached him. Though he tried hard to make the necessary repairs he was too late to have a shot at the enemy.

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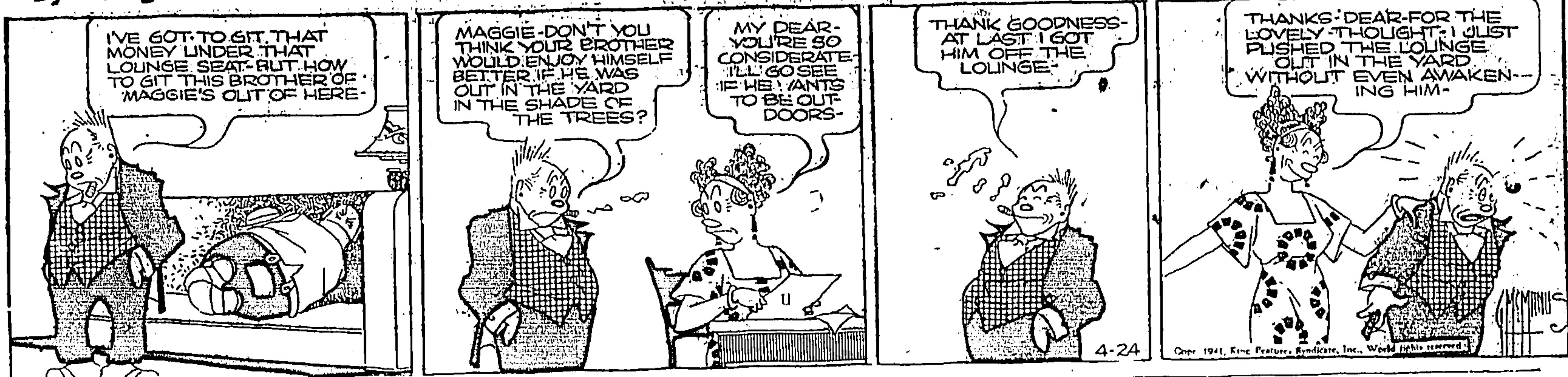
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By George MacManus



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A PAGE FOR WOMEN

Fragrance And Colour

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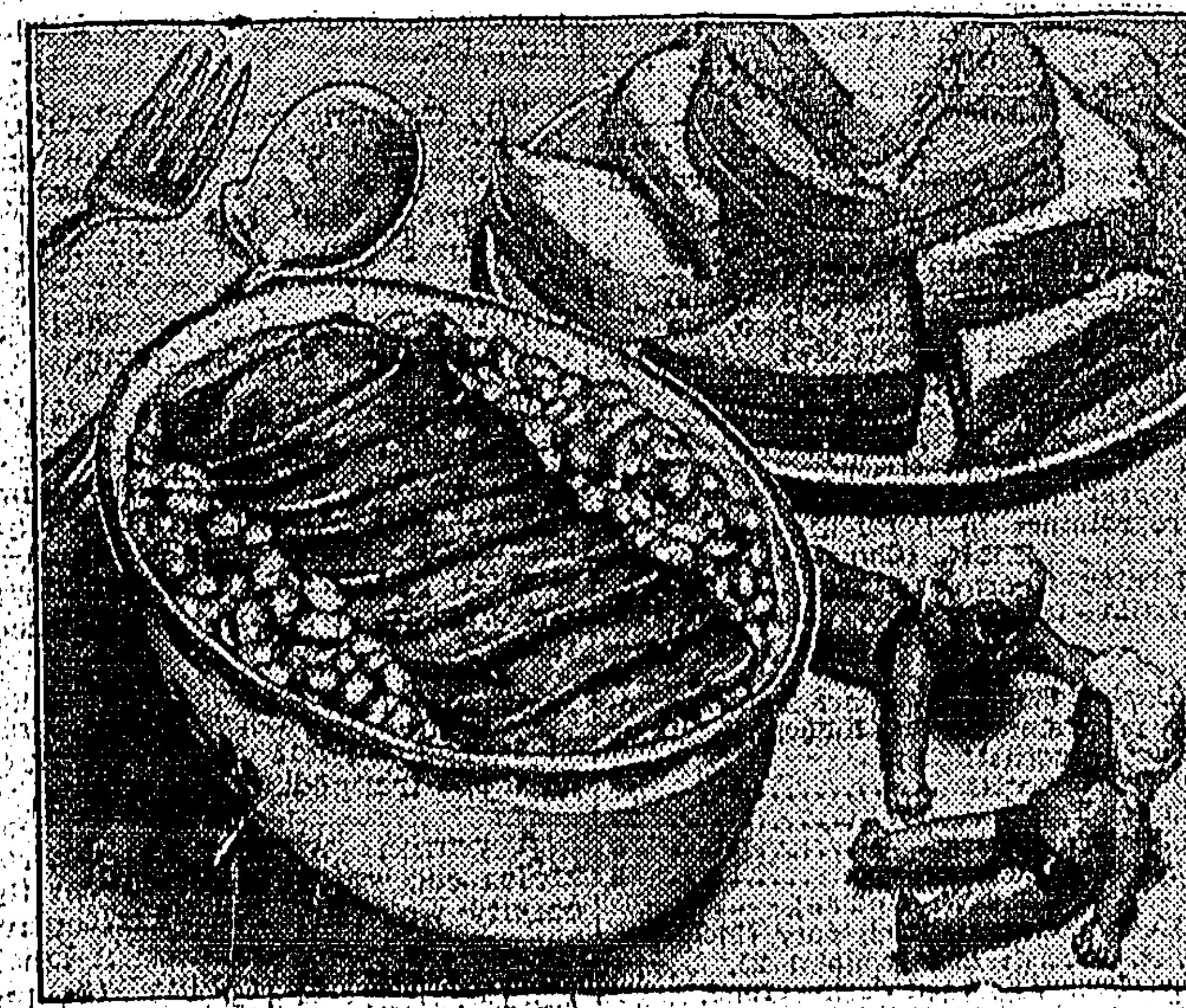
A Garden Picnic Is Fun

... and can be easy to prepare and to serve

Says Dorothy Grieg

The urge to eat outdoors under the open sky is all part of the good old summer time. But searching out the perfect picnic spot miles from home does loom up as something of a problem.

So we'll just picnic in our own garden, thank you. It's outdoors, as pleasant a place as ever we will see—and there's no wrestling with traffic to get there.



Casserole of Pork and Beans and Spiced Ham is an easy-to-prepare and most delicious dish for an outdoor meal.

For a garden supper plan on simple food, but food full of flavour and substantial enough to satisfy keen appetites. Eating outdoors sharpens appetites, you know. For instance—

GARDEN PICNIC SUPPER
*Casserole of Pork and Beans with Spiced Ham
*Cheese Tomato Sandwich
Mixed Vegetable Salad
Assorted Fresh Fruit
Hot Coffee

*Casserole Of Pork And Spiced Ham

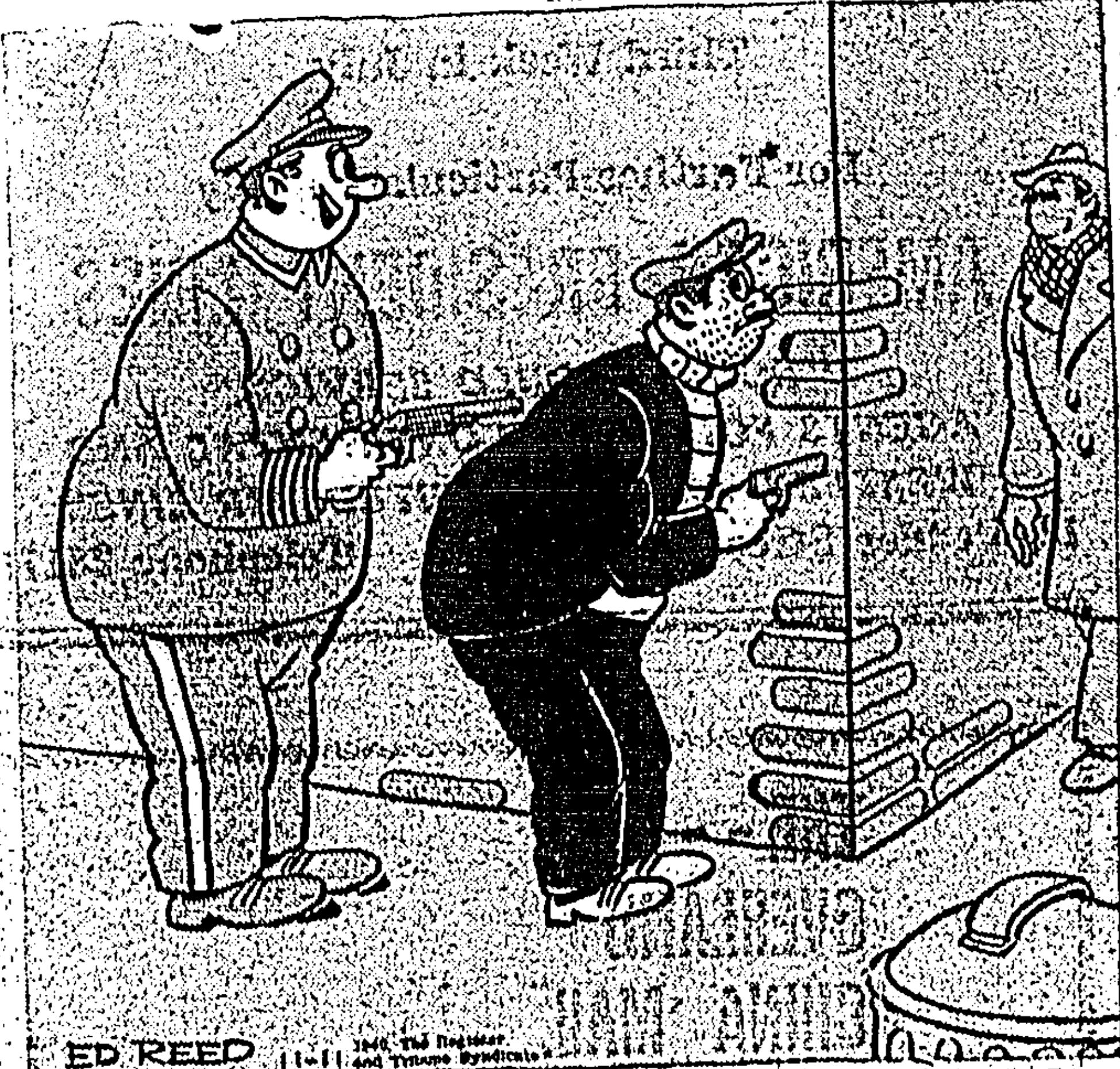
2 cans (16 ozs.) pork and beans
1 can (12 ozs.) canned spiced ham
6 tablespoons brown sugar
1/2 teaspoon ground cloves
2 teaspoons butter
Empty 1 can of pork and beans into a casserole. Slice the canned spiced ham in thin slices and arrange half of it on top of the beans. Combine the sugar and ground cloves and sprinkle half of it over the ham. Make the second layer just like the first and dot on top with the butter. Bake in a moderately hot oven (375° F.) for 45 minutes to 1 hour. Serves 6-8.

*Cheese Tomato Sandwich

2/3 cup condensed tomato soup
1/2 pound grated cheese
1 egg
3 tablespoons mayonnaise
Combine tomato soup and grated cheese and heat in a double boiler until the cheese is just melted. Add the slightly beaten egg gradually and cook 3-4 minutes. Remove from fire and pour into shallow plate to cool. When cool add mayonnaise and mix well. Store in the refrigerator until firm. Makes 8-10 sandwiches. This filling keeps very well.
To make sandwich—1. Spread each slice of bread with Cheese Tomato Spread and then put together.
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My Love and I; Sweet Melody of Night (both from film 'Give us this Night')...Webster Booth (Tenor) with Orchestra.

Strauss Polkas...Light Symphony Orchestra.

1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Programme Summary.

1.02 p.m.—The Albert Sandler Trio.

A Choice of Colour—Intro: Pink Lady Waltz; A Brown Bird Singing; Over The Rainbow; Coal Black Mammy; Two Eyes of Grey; My Blue Heaven.

Le Canari (Pollakian).

The Star Serenade (May & Byfield). When Our Dreams Grow Old (Based on 'Pjaisir d'amour'—Polar & Steller).

1.18 p.m.—Songs by Lawrence Tibbett (Baritone).

Without A Song; Life Is A Dream (both from film 'The Southerner')...with Orchestral accomp.

Bess, You Is My Woman Now (from Gershwin's 'Porgy and Bess')...with Helen Jepson (Soprano) and Orchestra accomp.

1.30 p.m.—Reuter & Rugby Press and Announcements.

1.45 p.m.—An Elgar Programme. Speak, Music...Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone) with Piano accomp.

Sonata in E Minor for Violin and Piano, Op. 22—1st Mov: Allegro; 2nd Mov: Romance-Andante; 3rd Mov: Allegro non troppo...Albert Sammons (Violin) and William Murdoch (Piano).

2.15 p.m.—Close down.

6.00 p.m.—Indian Programme.

6.45 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.47 p.m.—De Groot & His Orchestra.

'Les Cloches De Corneville'—Selection (Planquette); The Song of Songs (Moya); La Violeteria (Featured in the film 'City Lights'—Padilla); 'Les Millions D'Arlequin'—Serenade (Dirigo); Old Spanish Song (Aubert); Other Days (Selection of Popular Melodies—arr. Finck).

7.15 p.m.—Reginald Foote at the Organ.

Reminiscences of Friml—Intro: Indian Love Call; The Mounties; Chanson: The door of my dreams; Rose Marie; March of the Vagabonds; Only a Rose; L'amour toujours l'amour; Serenade; Childhood Memories (arr. Debroy Somers).

Reminiscences of The Gaiety Theatre

—Intro: Soldiers in the Park; Queen of my Heart; Yip, I Addy; The Last Waltz; What do you do Sunday, Mary?; The Only Way.

7.30 p.m.—Portuguese Programme.

8.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

8.15 p.m.—London Relay—War Commentary.

8.25 p.m.—London Relay—'Listening Post'. Examination of Points in Daily German and Italian Propaganda.

8.30 p.m.—Programme Summary.

8.32 p.m.—Variety.

Vocal—My Kind of Music; Rhum-boogie (both from 'Top of the World')...Pat Kirkwood with Orch. Instru.—It's Love Again—Fox-Trot Medley...The Keyboards (Two Pianos & Drums).

Humorous Sketch—Sandy Plays in the Test Match (Thomson)...Sandy Powell & Company.

Accordion Solos—Ma Petite Java (Castoncelli); Czardas (Monti)...Gigetto Castoncelli with Piano.

Vocal—Most Gentlemen Don't Like Love (Cole Porter); My Heart Belongs to Daddy (Cole Porter)...Pat Kirkwood with Jack Hylton and some of his Boys.

9.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Announcements.

9.02 p.m.—Francis Popy—Suite Orientale.

The Bajaderes—On the Shores of the Ganges—The Dancers—The Patrol...Grand Symphony Orchestra.

9.15 p.m.—Vivian Ellis (Piano) and Grace Moore (Soprano).

A Little White Room ('Floodlight'—Beverly Nichols)...Vivian Ellis (Piano).

Stars in My Eyes; Learn How to Lose (both from 'The King steps out')...Grace Moore (Soprano) with Orchestra.

Let Me Play (In Which Vivian Ellis introduces Fifteen of his Best Known Tunes)...Vivian Ellis (Piano) (Soloist; Vivian Ellis, him self).

What Shall Remain? (from 'The King Steps Out')...Grace Moore (Soprano) with Orchestra.

The First Waltz ('Streamline'—Ellis)...Vivian Ellis (Piano).

9.45-10.00 p.m.—News in French (on Short Wave only).

9.45 p.m.—Band Music.

Radetzky March (Strauss, Op. 222)...The B.B.C. Wireless Military Band.

Policeman's Holiday—One Step (Ewing)...The Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards.

10.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News and News Commentary.

10.15 p.m.—Mascagni's "Cavalleria Rusticana".

Characters and Soloists in order of appearance...Giovanni Breviario (Tenor); Santuzza, a village girl...Della Sanza (Soprano); Lucia, mother of Turiddu...Olga De Franco (Contralto); Alfo, a teamster...Piero Blasini (Baritone); Lola, wife of Alfo...M. Pantaleoni (Mezzo-Soprano); and Members of La Scala Orchestra and Chorus.

Milan.

REJUVENATION SECRET OF YOGI

Raj Vaidya Anand Swami, a Himalayan Yogi, wants to turn President Roosevelt, Gandhi and George Bernard Shaw into Peter Pans.

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He also said that he was cutting new teeth.

The Swami has only one condition on which he is prepared to turn aged men and women into robust and vigorous personalities full of vitality and dynamic energy.

They must be famous people whose lease of long life could be devoted to the benefit of humanity.

NAHLIN A MINELAYER

A Luxury yacht in which the Duke and Duchess of Windsor went cruising before the Abdication is now a minelayer—on the enemy side.

Duke's Cocktail Bar

Nahlin was lent to the Duke by the very wealthy Lady Yule. With the then monarch aboard, Nahlin cruised in Aegean and Adriatic waters.

The Turks saw her when she anchored for a week off Moda, on the shores of the Bosphorus, while the Duke went to visit Ataturk.

A Turkish torpedo-boat recently recognised her off the Danube delta. She was flying the Rumanian flag, and had a German crew. Nahlin steamed into the Black Sea some four years ago, when King Carol bought her from Lady Yule.

King Carol made many alterations in Nahlin. One of the few things unchanged was the cocktail bar. But the shaker with which the Duke himself mixed cocktails for his guests is in the Bahamas.

11.15 p.m.—Close down
MONTHLY BROADCASTING REPORT FOR JUNE, 1941

Actual hours of transmission totalled 4301, of which 2014 were devoted to European Programmes, 210 to Chinese Programmes and 23 to Indian Programmes as follows:

Z.B.W. (European)

Morning transmission 663½
Evening transmission 134½

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During the month apart from recorded programmes the following items were broadcast:

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Recitals 2

Studio Talks (including Book Reviews and Newsletters) 14

Local Relays (including Church Services) 7

Sunday Evening Epilogues 5

Daytime Relays (including News Programmes in French, News, etc.) 11½

Programmes in French (News, etc.) 30

Programmes in Portuguese 4

Z.E.K. (Chinese)

Morning transmission 60

Evening transmission 150

210

During the month apart from recorded programmes the following items were broadcast:

Studio Concerts 22

Children's Concerts 0

Daventry Relays 8

Z.D.W. (Indian)

Evening transmission only (including talks, records and recitals) 25

New licences issued during June, 1941 233

Renewals of licences during June, 1941 401

Total licences issued during 1941 9,000

As English moleskins make the finest and most durable fur coats, there is a big opportunity of developing an export trade for these garments independent of foreign supplies.

By trapping moles, landowners, farmers and others will not only get rid of a pest and so increase food production, but will help to build up a valuable trade and raise foreign exchange to pay for war supplies from abroad, said an official of the Export Group.

Our main effort will begin in the autumn and the season lasts until March, during which time the fur is at its best, and we are rapidly building up an organisation to put people in touch with the nearest trappers and collectors.

Skins from moles trapped out of season are not worth as much as those trapped in the winter.

A person wishing to destroy moles can get authority from the county war agricultural executive committee to purchase a small quantity of strichnine to put down the burrows. The greatest care, however, is needed in the use of this poison to prevent danger to farm stock.

THE CHINA MAIL, JULY 8, 1941.

"LOOKING FOR TROUBLE"

Besides protecting British convoys, pilots of Fighter Command are continuously attacking the enemy in the waters on the other side of the Channel and in occupied territory itself. Even when weather prevents the operation of the large-scale "sweeps" which have become a feature of the air war since Fighter Command took the offensive, great numbers of Spitfires and Hurricanes go visiting in the enemy's backyard.

These are more than reconnaissance flights. The British fighter pilots are "looking for trouble," and only the lack of a similar enthusiasm on the enemy side often prevents them finding it. But rarely are these patrols entirely without incident.

Here are extracts from the log of a patrol carried out by Spitfires on a cloudy day recently.

"We took off to look for an enemy convoy off the French Coast. Visibility was bad over the Channel so we came down to 1,000 feet for a run to one of the ports.

Immediately we sighted nine vessels close inshore, and an intense anti-aircraft barrage was put up. It came from shore batteries and from a ship in the centre of the convoy."

In spite of this intense anti-aircraft fire, one of the Spitfire pilots dived on the convoy and machine-gunned it from 600 feet.

The Intelligence Officer's report, made out on the pilot's return, adds the footnote: "This aircraft on landing was found to have bullet holes in both wings."

GENTLEMEN IN VELVET

A drive to collect millions of moleskins to make into coats for sale in North and South America is being planned by the fur trade export group, supported by the Board of Trade.

The skins will replace supplies that used to come to London from Italy, France, Belgium and Holland. It is said that an average of 25,000,000 moleskins came to London every year from those countries and that most of them were re-exported.

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NEUTRAL CORRESPONDENT ON BATTLE OF LEMBERG

High Tribute To Red Army's Stubbornness

AIR RAIDS IN FINLAND

Enemy planes bombed different places in Finland, Helsinki being raided on Monday when one person was killed and 20 wounded. A number of buildings were damaged.

Bombs were dropped on Kotka during the night on Sunday and Monday, and the resultant fires caused 20 houses to be damaged. Five of the raiding planes are reported to have been shot down.—Reuter.

GERMANY CLOSES REPRISAL CAMPS

The War Office in London states that information has been received through the good offices of the United States Embassy that Stalag 20A Fort 15 and Stalag 21D Fort 8 (both prisoner's camps) have been closed and that all officers have been transferred from them to other camps.

Some officers are said to have been sent to Oflag 5B. The camps that have been closed are the so-called "reprisal camps" to which certain officers were transferred early in March.—Reuter.

Quality Of Soviet Tank Weapons

"One of the greatest surprises for everybody, including specialists, is the extent of the Russian tank weapon," says the Berlin correspondent of the Zurich newspaper "Neue Zuercher Zeitung" describing a visit to Lwow.

He says that the Germans captured Lwow after eight days of constant fighting. The Germans were constantly attacked by Russian tank units which were used in big numbers.

The Russian tanks include 15-tonners equipped with 47 millimetre guns, medium tanks with 75.5 guns and bigger tanks with 15 centimetre guns.

German soldiers say that the latter were fast, but vulnerable in close fighting because besides the big gun, they carry only one machine-gun pointing forward which can be put out of action with a handgrenade.

The Russians are also using giant 60-ton tanks built on the French pattern, with three main turrets containing a howitzer, two light guns, and several machine-guns.

THESE ARE PRACTICALLY INVULNERABLE BUT ARE LIABLE TO GET BOGGED IN MARSHY GROUND.

Well Designed

The correspondent describes the

Russian guns, caterpillar vehicles and tanks as appearing "completely new, immaculately painted, well looked after, cleanly finished and well designed. He also remarks that in the positions, which the Russians evacuated, books of educational character were constantly found.

Bitter Opposition

The correspondent describes the prisoners' camp constructed by the Germans to hold 50,000 prisoners, contained only 3,000 Russian fortification workers, mostly Asiatic.

The correspondent concludes that the Russian resistance was generally stubborn and even bitter.

Wherever the Russians were forced to retreat they were withdrawn in good order.

Hardly any material was abandoned and no equipment thrown away.—Reuter.

STOP PRESS

Between 250 and 300 turners and fitters at Taikoo Docks resigned and demanded to be paid off over the week-end as a protest against the alleged dismissal of one of their fellow-workers.

Informed officially that the man concerned had not been dismissed but had resigned, the men persisted that he had been dismissed and requested to be allowed to resign.

The management paid the men off yesterday and immediately put up a notice at the gates stating that there were vacancies for turners and fitters.

This morning it was learned that about 80 per cent. of the men who resigned had applied for jobs in the afternoon and were taken on again.

SHIPPING PROBLEM CLEARED UP

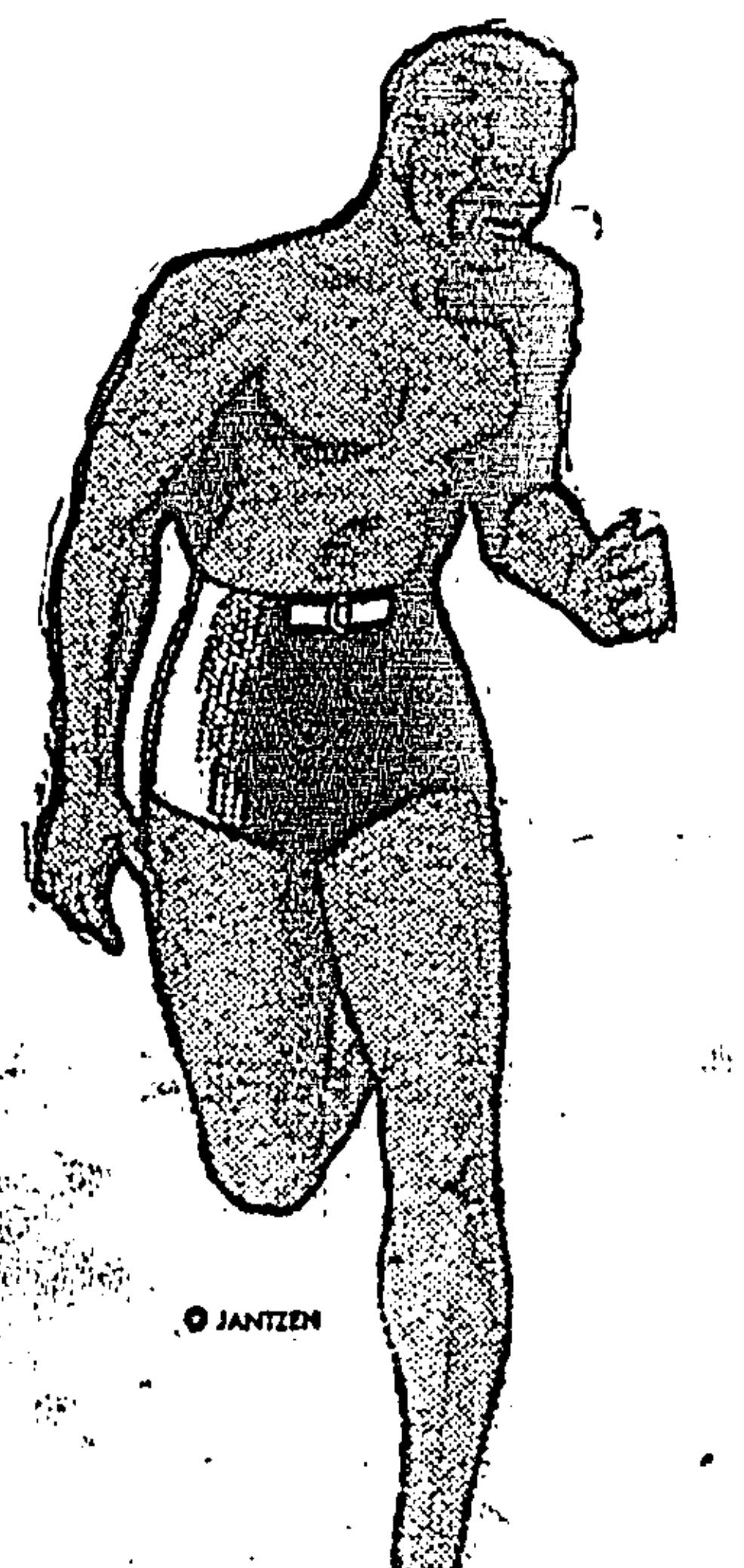
Conversations have taken place between British and United States officials in Washington on the question of enemy ships now sheltering in the United States ports.

The British Embassy has now been authorised to issue a statement to the effect that in connection with the recent agreement for the employment of Danish ships in United States ports, the British Government has consented, in respect of these ships, to waive their rights as a belligerent to refuse to recognise the transfer of enemy merchant ship to a neutral flag, unless they first satisfy themselves in regard to the validity of the transfer.

The statement adds that the principal reason hitherto for the immobilisation of these ships had been the fact that the British Government felt unable to waive these rights, to the maintenance of which they attach the greatest importance. They are, however, now satisfied and gratefully recognise that the use to which these ships are to be put will contribute directly or indirectly to the war effort of the democracies.—Reuter.

NO BOMBS ON BRITAIN YESTERDAY

A single enemy aircraft flew inland for a short distance over north-east England yesterday afternoon. This, says an Air Ministry communiqué, is the only hostile activity reported over this country yesterday and up to 6 p.m. there were no reports of any bombs having been dropped.—Reuter.



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Panzers Thrown On Defensive

VITAL BEIRUT BATTLE

The vital battle for Beirut involving possession of Vichy's key port on the Lebanese coast is focussing all attention in Jerusalem.

Authoritative military circles point out that with the capture of Beirut, the Vichyites would lose not only their most valuable port but also the main bastion of their defence in the west.

The area under Vichy control is steadily shrinking daily and many in Jerusalem opine the fall of Beirut might well have a decisive effect on the campaign.

TALK OF AN ARMISTICE

That the Syrian campaign has entered the final stage is the opinion of observers in Ankara who would not be surprised if an armistice is signed within a week.

An exchange of views is reported to have taken place in Syria and elsewhere with the aim of seeking a settlement to avoid further bloodshed.

Nothing is known in London of this report.—Reuter.

Damour Fighting

A Cairo G.H.Q. communiqué states: British mechanised troops are continuing their advance towards Homs. In the central sector an important position north of Jezzine has been captured by British forces.

On the coast, Australian troops have crossed the River Damour and are now in contact with the main Vichy positions about the town of the same name. — British Wireless.

JAPANESE CHANGES IN COMMAND

Important changes in the High Command of the Japanese Army have been made, states a London report.

The Japanese have appointed two new members of the Supreme War Council and a new Chief of Staff in China.

Prince Konoye, Prime Minister, and Admiral Okawa, Navy Minister, were given an audience by the Emperor when the Premier reported on Cabinet matters.—Reuter.

TWO KILLED IN ALEXANDRIA RAID

Two persons were killed and fourteen injured in an air raid on Alexandria on Sunday by enemy aircraft.—Reuter.

Ostrov Battle Over: Buoyant Spirit In Moscow

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

HITLER'S WAR MACHINE IS NOW SHATTERING ITSELF AGAINST A FIRMLY HOLDING LINE FROM THE BALTIC TO THE BLACK SEA, ACCORDING TO OFFICIAL MOSCOW COMMUNIQUES WHICH ARE ENCOURAGINGLY BUOYANT.

The most shattering defeat yet inflicted upon Hitler is claimed as having taken place in Latvia in the Ostrov sector, scene in the last two days of some of the most sanguinary fighting of the war. Moscow now announces the end of the first phase of the battle, with complete victory for the Red Army.

"Hitler's panzer divisions in Latvia have now been forced to adopt defensive tactics," says the Russian High Command, adding that the severe defeat suffered by the Germans in this sector may prove to be one of the war's most important battles.

The Soviet also refers to German attempts to cross the north bank of the Dvina River at its western end, in the Polotsk sector, and says that Soviet troops firmly held their positions, repulsing every attack with severe loss.

Bulgarians have reached Upper Dneister and have captured Chernauti.

Operations in Galicia continue on a wide front beyond Sereth.

Hungarian Claims

On Saturday and Sunday, Hungarian troops carried out flanking attacks against the enemy, states a Hungarian Supreme Command communiqué. The Panzer divisions particularly distinguished themselves. "In some places our troops are advancing on the Eastern side of the Dneister."—Reuter.

No Essential Changes

Latest news of Russian counter-attacks and successful Russian resistance to German thrusts is contained in the Russian communiqué broadcast early this morning.

The communiqué states that fighting continued in the Ostrov, Polotsk, Lepel and Novgorod-Volynsk sectors.

No essential changes occurred in the position of our troops at these fronts.

In the direction of Ostrov, our troops repulsed repeated attempts by enemy motorised

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Heavy Toll

A Soviet Communiqué stated yesterday that the Russians have repulsed numerous German attempts to break through in the Ostrov sector in Latvia.

DURING SUNDAY NIGHT, THE RUSSIANS TOOK A HEAVY TOLL OF GERMAN TANKS.

Night-long German efforts to cross the western Dvina river in the Podolsk sector were fiercely contested.

The Russians also frustrated German motorised attempts to break through eastwards in the Novograd-Volynsk sector.

In the Bessarabian sector, the Russians flung back the Germans to their original position inflicting heavy losses.

Two German destroyers were sunk in the naval battle when German forces were trying to penetrate the Gulf of Riga.

Nazi Communiqué

A German communiqué claims that the Germans have repulsed counter-attacks at Bessarabia and continue to advance.

In Bukovina, the Rumano-

JAPANESE LAND IN FUKIEN

Landing of Japanese troops on the Southern Fukien coast was reported in Chungking yesterday.

The report stated that over 1,000 Japanese troops effected a landing in the vicinity of Shao'an last Friday morning and that fighting was going on south and west of the city.—Reuter.

DAYLIGHT SWEEPS CONTINUE

The R.A.F. continued the offensive on the enemy's western front yesterday, according to an Air Ministry communiqué which says that heavy bombers, accompanied by fighters, attacked the aircraft works at Meaulte, and the power station and chemical works near Bethune.

Both targets were hit by powerful bombs and many incendiaries, and the escort shot down seven enemy fighters.

Three British fighters were lost, but two of the pilots were rescued from the sea.

Bomber Command Blenheims attacked a strongly escorted convoy off Calais, and one ship of 2,000 tons, and the escorting E-boat were sunk.

The Blenheims attacked another convoy off Calais, and one ship of 2,000 tons, and the escorting E-boat were sunk.

Three Bomber Command aircraft and one Coastal Command aircraft are missing as a result of these operations.—Reuter.

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U.S. TO TAKE OVER ICELAND

Arrival Of Naval Forces In Island Announced

British Garrison To Be Replaced

THE DECISION OF THE UNITED STATES TO TAKE OVER CONTROL OF ICELAND AND TO RELEASE THE BRITISH AND CANADIAN FORCES THERE FOR SERVICE ELSEWHERE WAS OFFICIALLY REVEALED IN WASHINGTON YESTERDAY.

The announcement disclosed that American naval forces have already arrived in Iceland. For the moment, they will supplement the British forces. Gradually, they will replace them.

In a special Message to Congress, announcing the arrival of the naval force, President Roosevelt indicated that units from the United States will eventually replace the British forces stationed in Iceland.

The President said that the United States could not permit "the occupation by Germany of strategic outposts in the Atlantic, to be used as air or naval bases for an eventual attack against the Western Hemisphere."

The President emphasised, however, that the United States did not desire any change of sovereignty in those regions.

Triple Threat

The German occupation of Iceland, he said, would constitute a serious threat in three dimensions, "a threat against Greenland and the northern part of the American continent and the island lying off it, a threat against all shipping in the Atlantic and a threat against the steady flow of munitions to Britain, which is a matter of broad policy clearly approved by Congress."

No indication is given of just what forces have reached Iceland or whether they will be supplemented by troops or marines.

Nor did President Roosevelt indicate whether similar action might be taken against other possible stepping off points for German action against the Western Hemisphere.

Exchange Of Letters

The Presidential Message was accompanied by the texts of letters exchanged between Mr. Roosevelt and the Prime Minister of Iceland dated July 1, and the Message was in line with the understanding reached in this exchange, that the United States Navy would go to Iceland.

The Message stated that the assurance that "strategic outposts

in the United States defence front should remain in friendly hands is the very foundation of United States national security of everyone.

President's Order

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT ADDED:—"AS COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF, I HAVE CONSEQUENTLY ISSUED ORDERS TO THE NAVY THAT ALL NECESSARY STEPS BE TAKEN TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF COMMUNICATIONS IN THE APPROACHES BETWEEN ICELAND AND THE UNITED STATES, AS WELL AS ON THE SEAS BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND ALL OTHER STRATEGIC OUTPOSTS."

This Government will ensure the adequate defence of Iceland with full recognition of the independence of Iceland as a sovereign state.

In his message to President Roosevelt, the Prime Minister of Iceland, Mr. Hermann Jonasson, stated that in a conversation on June 24, the British minister explained to him that the British forces in Iceland were required elsewhere. At the same time, it was stressed that the adequate defence of Iceland was of immense importance, and President Roosevelt was prepared to send United States troops immediately to supplement and replace the British troops.

Mr. Jonasson said he was informed that President Roosevelt did not consider he should take this course except at the invitation of the Iceland Government. This invitation had accordingly been issued upon eight conditions.

Sufficient 'Planes

The Iceland Government placed special stress on there being "sufficient 'planes for defence

purposes." President Roosevelt replied that this and other conditions were "fully acceptable" to the United States and that they would be observed.

An exchange of diplomatic representatives is contemplated and President Roosevelt said he would ask Congress to agree to an arrangement to allow this exchange. In addition President Roosevelt said that he was communicating with the Governments of all other Western Hemisphere nations on the United States Government's action.

It is the announced policy of the Government of the United States, President Roosevelt told Mr. Jonasson, "to undertake to join with other nations of the Western Hemisphere in the defence of the new world against any attempt at aggression."

Eight Conditions

In the opinion of this Government, it is imperative that the integrity and independence of Iceland be preserved because of the fact that any occupation of Iceland by the power whose only too clearly apparent plans for world conquest include the domination of the peoples of the new world, would at once directly menace the security of the entire Western Hemisphere.

It is for that reason, in response to your message, that the Government of the United States will send immediately troops to supplement and eventually replace the British forces there."

Mr. Jonasson's letter laid down the following conditions:

1. The United States promises to withdraw military forces immediately on the conclusion of the present war.

2. The United States promises to recognise the "absolute independence and sovereignty of Iceland" and to use its influence at the eventual peace treaty that it will extend the same recognition.

3. The United States promises not to interfere with the Iceland Government during the occupation or afterwards.

4. The United States promises to organise a defence so as to ensure the greatest possible safety for the inhabitants with only "picked troops."

5. The United States undertakes the defence of Iceland without any expense for Iceland.

6. The United States promises to further Iceland's interests in every possible way, including supplying "necessities" and securing the necessary shipping.

7. Iceland expects any declaration by the President to be in agreement with these promises.

8. It is obvious that if the United States undertakes any defence of Iceland, "it will be strong enough to meet every eventuality, and particularly in the beginning, it is expected that as far as possible an effort will be made to prevent any special danger in connection with the change-over."

Legal Status

In connection with Condition 8, Iceland stressed the need for sufficient 'planes and said they could be used as soon as the United States decided to undertake the defence. Mr. Jonasson said Iceland reached her decision as "an absolutely free sovereign State" and considered it a matter of course that the United States recognise the legal status of Iceland, with both states immediately exchanging diplomatic representatives. — Reuter.

America Gets A Surprise

Announcement of the landing of United States forces in Iceland came as a great surprise to the general public in the United States.

This was not shared by well-informed circles in Washington.

An indication that something important was happening was provided, recently at the Boston Navy Yard, where, during one of the hottest spells of summer, several thousand marines were issued with fur-gloves and other winter equipment.

The announcement of the occupation was made as soon as a flash message was received stating that it had been completed and that U.S. Marines were taking over from British troops. Informed sources in Washington feel that the action may have far-reaching results and await the German reaction to American action within an area which Germany has officially proclaimed to be a battle zone. — Reuter.

TAIKOO TURNERS

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LARGE ORDERS

The war continues to bring large orders for Indian industry. During the month of May orders totalling £311,000 were placed in Bombay for items which included textiles, ammunition boxes, aeroplane hangars, camp chairs, machine tools, signalling lamps and foodstuffs. — Reuter.

BIG AND WELCOME NEWS TO GREAT BRITAIN

THE ARRIVAL OF United States Forces in Iceland was described last night by a British Foreign Office spokesman as "big and welcome news and one of the most important and significant events that has occurred for some time past."

It was, the spokesman said, a logical development of the policy President Roosevelt announced when Greenland was occupied; that policy being limitation of the intention of the United States to take every measure necessary to safeguard the western hemisphere.

The occupation means that British troops will be relieved of the commitment of the defence of Iceland and will be gradually, by stages, withdrawn from Iceland. For the time being there will be both British and American troops in Iceland.

The British Government was kept fully informed beforehand, Iceland's sovereignty will remain complete and the evacuation by the United States Forces will take place immediately on the conclusion of the war.

There will be arrangements for compensation for any damage that may be done and there will be no interference with local affairs, while the economic interests of Iceland will be safeguarded and measures taken for transport for the conveyance of food and other necessities between Iceland and the United States.

With Consent

There will also be an exchange of diplomatic representatives between Iceland and the United States.

The British Minister, Mr. Charles Howard Smith, who went to Iceland, when we took over its protection will remain there.

The spokesman added: "What has happened is that the Americans, in continuation of their policy of hemispheric defence as announced by President Roosevelt, at the time America took over the protection of Greenland, has now extended that principle and is taking over, too, with the consent of the authorities in Iceland, the defence of Iceland."

Secondary Virtue

The action was described as a practical manifestation of American realisation of the Nazi threat to the Democracies generally and desire to attain world domination. It has a secondary virtue from the viewpoint of Great Britain in that it releases us of a commitment in the western hemisphere at a time when German aggression is imposing increasing and fresh obligations on the British Government. — Reuter.

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CHIANG KAI-SHEK'S MESSAGE

Latest international developments reveal that the crimes and designs of the aggressors also increase the strength and the collaboration of those who oppose them, declared Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, in a statement addressed to the Chinese Army and people in which he expressed confidence that "the collapse of Japan and her puppets will coincide with the collapse of the Axis Powers."

Generalissimo Chiang appealed to the Chinese Army and people to redouble their efforts to prepare for a counter-offensive, emphasising the need for national unity and increased fighting strength.

Starting Point

Generalissimo Chiang emphasised that Asia was the starting point of the fire which is spreading over the world.

In drawing attention to the large populations and rice resources of Asia, Generalissimo Chiang urged the Democracies "to make a revolutionary change in their attitude regarding the Pacific Ocean which is as important to Europe as the Atlantic."

Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek expressed gratitude for the assistance given by Britain, the United States and Soviet Russia to the Chinese people. He added the hope that there would be closer cooperation between the four countries as "the aim is the same for all four of us."

Referring to a possible move of the Japanese, Generalissimo Chiang gave warning that the aggressors were both opportunists and adventurers, and, therefore, capable of sudden unpredictable actions.—Reuter.

"FLEECE AND FLIT" PARTIES

Fleece-and-Flit gambling parties are causing anxiety to the War Office and the Service authorities. In all parts of Mayfair and the West End of London luxurious flats and houses are being hired for one night only—after which the organisers become difficult to trace.

A large number of the victims are officers on leave—particularly those from the Dominions, Allied countries, and the provinces.

"Scouts" are sent to hotels and clubs to " rope in" any well-purposed "probables" they find.

The police recently raided so many gambling dens that it became over-risky to run "parties" in the same place for more than one night.

Some Mayfair mansions were rented for longer periods. But men were sent in who got sufficient evidence for a conviction and then opened the doors to uniformed police.

But it is easier than ever before to find "suitable premises" for single nights, because so many flats and houses have been evacuated.

Some agents, at their wits' ends to find tenants, are only too willing to let a flat for a night to a man "about to be called up" wanting to give a farewell party to his friends—and willing to pay an unusually high price for the privilege.

By the time the "lamps" are brought to the fleecing the flat has been stocked with food, wine, and

Mr. McNutt On Far East Situation

AMERICA'S STAKE in Asia is "far too real" to be abandoned in order to appease the political machine now happening to be in power in Tokyo, declared Mr. Paul McNutt, Federal Security Administrator, and formerly High Commissioner of the Philippines, addressing the Chinese community in Washington, on the occasion of the fourth anniversary of the outbreak of the Sino-Japanese hostilities.

A Russian defeat might result in outright Japanese-Axis military collaboration.

The United States and China must act to prevent the "unification of the totalitarian battle-front" across all of Europe and Asia.

"THE TIME HAS COME TO ACT, AND CHINA AND AMERICA MUST EACH SHOULDER A FAIR SHARE OF THE BURDEN IN PUTTING DOWN THIS 'OLD DISORDER' WHICH SEEKS TO SUBJUGATE THE FREE PEOPLES OF THE WORLD."

"Any nation teaming up, like Japan, with the Axis threat must do so expecting to shoulder all the consequences of her actions. That comment is more than a generality."

Chinese Victory

Certainly, "the United States should not permit the reef of islands from Kamchatka to Borneo to stand as military or naval barriers between the United States and the continent of Asia. In unfriendly hands such barriers would block forever trade with China and the Dutch East Indies."

FOUR-SQUARE AGAINST HITLERISM

Great Britain, the United States, the Soviet Union and China, with other liberty-loving nations, constitute a world-wide front against aggression, declared Mr. Wellington Koo, the Chinese Ambassador, at a London meeting yesterday of the China Campaign Committee.

"Alliance or no alliance," he added, "the victory or defeat of one will have an immediate and far-reaching effect upon the others. The closer their collaboration, the surer and sooner will be their final victory."

China believed, with greater conviction than ever, that the World Order of peace and security could only be built on the principle of collective security and mutual aid.

After four years of war, Japan has been stalemated, with a million of her soldiers bogged in China.—Reuter.

He warned, however, that Japan must depend on herself in meeting any crisis in the future.

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The journal claimed: "Japan in spite of a four years' war with all its damage and strain, to-day is very much stronger and more productive than four years ago."

CHINA READY FOR FOUR OR 14 MORE YEARS

"China is fully prepared to continue the war for four or 14 more years if necessary in order to win the final victory," declared Dr. Quo Tai-chi, China's Foreign Minister, in a broadcast to America from Chungking yesterday.—Reuter.

MORE PEOPLE ARE WEARING GLASSES

The black-out and factory lighting conditions are responsible for a boom in the optical trade.

A member of the British Optical Association says that more people are wearing glasses to-day than before the war.

The chief reason is that more people are working in artificial light which in some cases is very poor.

A good many of these are men beyond the age of 40, which is the age when, as a rule, they need glasses for close work.

"Many of them, previously engaged in outdoor occupations and now doing work under black-out conditions, have suffered from eye strain and have had to wear glasses to correct it.

"From my experience more women than men are wearing glasses to-day. The women are not shy about wearing spectacles as once they were. Many of them, of course, are spending a good deal of time knitting comforts for the Services, often in artificial light.

"We find some difficulty in obtaining frames, and in a short time we shall not be able to supply frames in the same variety as before."

JAPANESE WAR MINISTER'S WARNING

IN A STATEMENT in Tokyo yesterday, the fourth anniversary of the outbreak of the Sino-Japanese hostilities, the War Minister, General Tojo, urged the people to renew their efforts for liquidating the China Affair as early as possible and to be prepared, at the same time, against any eventuality which might occur as a result of the European war.

Japan's objectives in maintaining the peace and security of China as well as creating a New Order in East Asia was gradually being realised, added the War Minister.

He warned, however, that Japan must depend on herself in meeting any crisis in the future.

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Japan's Knightly Way

The "Manchester Guardian," in a leading article yesterday, said that four years ago, Japan, calling it an Incident, started against China a war which she was now unable to end.

Her victories glitter with returning generals' triumphs, but hundreds of thousands of Japanese have been killed or maimed. Privations have grown, but the Chinese people's spirit remains unbroken.

China has endured from her great inner strength. She has the patience that "gazes on kings' graves," and communists and Government are still united against the invader.

She is rebuilding, in the West, the economy which Japan's "knightly way" had bloodily shattered.

For four years too little has been appreciated, too little help has been given. China who has been fighting the battle of this country, and those with us in the war.

As much as any she deserves our help. As much as any she must be with us at and after the peace.—Reuter.

JULY 7 RAID ON CHUNGKING

Chungking's observance of the fourth anniversary of the outbreak of the Sino-Japanese hostilities was interrupted yesterday morning by a raid by 27 Japanese aircraft which heavily bombed the western suburbs.

The main target was the much-bombed Press Hostel compound.

Several big bombs landed in the vicinity of the Hostel where foreign correspondents were staying.

Chungking was beflagged. All Government offices worked as usual while amusement places, contrary to previous years, remained open but presented programmes.

This raid followed one on Sunday evening in which 23 planes attacked in three waves also concentrating on the compound of the Press Hostel.—Reuter.

NEW U.S. NAVAL APPROPRIATION

The Navy Department in Washington yesterday asked Congress to appropriate an additional U.S.\$500,000,000 to augment its ship-building programme, of which U.S.\$100,000,000 will be for increased repairing facilities.—Reuter.

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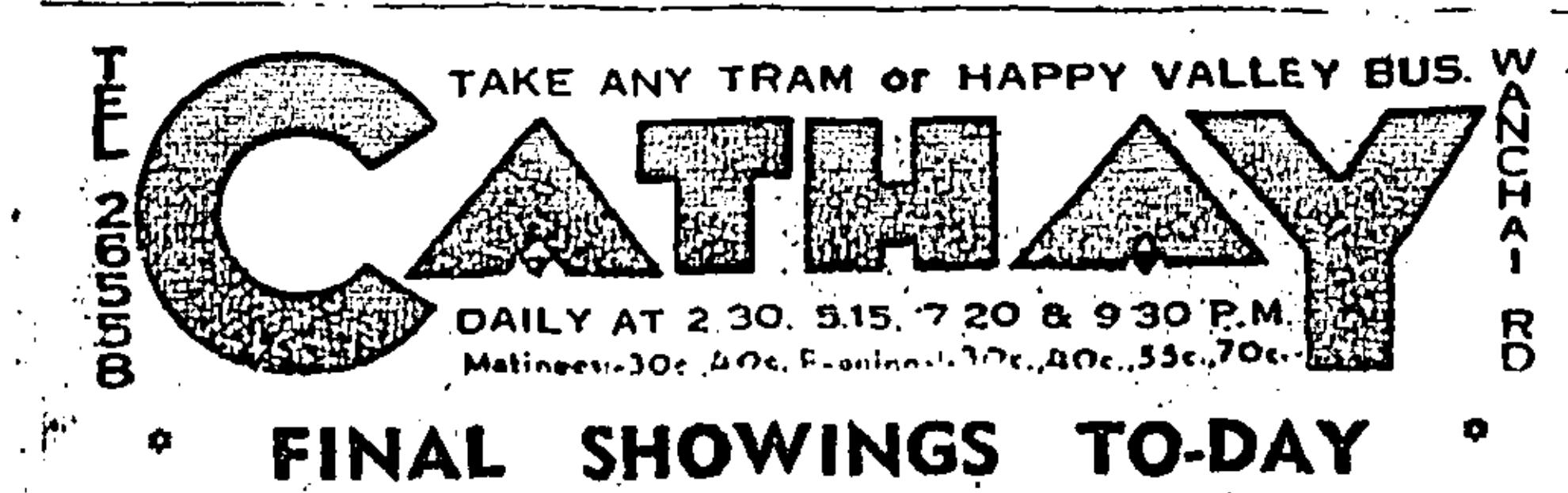
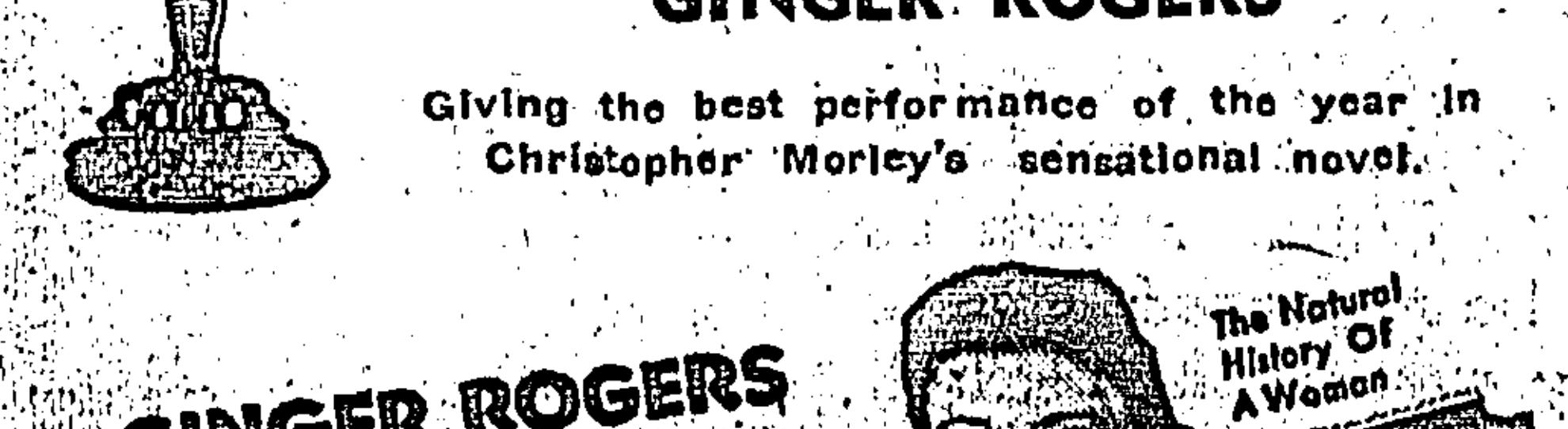
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GREATEST BATTLE IN WORLD'S HISTORY BEING FOUGHT

SHIPPING PROBLEM CLEARED UP

(By Reuter's Military Correspondent)

LATEST NEWS FROM THE RUSSO-GERMAN FRONT IS FAVOURABLE TO THE RUSSIANS, THOUGH THAT DOES NOT MEAN THAT THE BATTLE HAS YET BEEN WON.

This is, perhaps, the most decisive battle in the world's history and it is the greatest in breadth of front, the numbers engaged and the weight of equipment employed.

The fate of Russia is not the only question now being decided, but the fate of every nation in the world, not excepting those on the American continent.

Hitler seeks world domination, with all peoples the slaves of the 80,000,000 Germans. Every plane, gun, modern device and every man which can be concentrated to ensure rapidity and destruction is being thrown into the struggle energetically and ruthlessly by the Nazi General Staff.

Fortunately, for the Russians and for the Allies, Russian military doctrine is also based upon total war.

Russian Masses

It is now evident that Russian preparations have been on a great scale and that they have not failed to note that efficiency in planes, tanks and artillery are not in themselves sufficient to ensure victory against great masses: masses, numbers are also required.

The Russians are now bringing up their own masses of well-equipped troops into action.

Moreover, it is apparent that they recognise that the modern idea of "defence in depth" does not merely mean a number of fortified posts and forts scattered in however deep a belt and purely static and defensive in action.

To-day's Tactics

On the contrary, the offensive of to-day — the breakthrough by powerful motorised columns followed by large numbers of troops who will then develop the matter of encirclements — can only be met by equally powerful and large masses in reserve.

IN THE END, YOU COME TO A DECISION BEING SOUGHT AND GAINED IN AN ENCOUNTER BATTLE WHERE THE OFFENSIVE SPIRIT, EMPLOYING STRONG FORCES OF ARTILLERY, TANKS AND PLANES IS THE GUIDE TO VICTORY.

These principles, the Russians seem to be putting into resolute action.

Looking at the battlefield in more detail, and starting from the north, it seems that the Germans have captured neither Murmansk nor the railway to the south though they claimed to have done so several days ago. The attack further south, on the Karelian Isthmus has not advanced at all and does not seem to be heavily pressed. — Reuter.

FOUR RAID ALARMS IN MALTA

MALTA HAD FOUR ALARMS ON SUNDAY NIGHT, SAYS A COMMUNIQUE. ENEMY AIRCRAFT CAME OVER SINGLY DURING THE GREATER PART OF THE NIGHT.

Many bombs were dropped in the various localities, some civilian damage was caused, but there were few casualties.

Searchlights were active and anti-aircraft guns put up general barrages. One enemy bomber was intercepted when returning to its base by a British fighter and was shot down into the sea in flames. — Reuter.

SHIPPING PROBLEM CLEARED UP

Conversations have taken place between British and United States officials in Washington on the question of enemy ships now sheltering in the United States ports.

The British Embassy has now been authorised to issue a statement to the effect that in connection with the recent agreement for the employment of Danish ships in United States ports, the British Government has consented, in respect of these ships, to waive their rights as a belligerent to refuse to recognise the transfer of enemy merchant ship to a neutral flag, unless they first satisfy themselves in regard to the validity of the transfer.

The statement adds that the principal reason hitherto for the immobilisation of these ships had been the fact that the British Government felt unable to waive these rights, to the maintenance of which they attach the greatest importance. They are, however, now satisfied and gratefully recognise that the use to which these ships are to be put will contribute directly or indirectly to the war effort of the democracies. — Reuter.

PERUVIAN-ECUADOR CONFLICT

MR. SUMNER WELLES, AT A PRESS CONFERENCE IN WASHINGTON YESTERDAY, SAID HE WAS SURE THE UNITED STATES AND ALL OTHER AMERICAN REPUBLICS WERE ANXIOUS TO HELP TO HALT THE PERU-ECUADOR HOSTILITIES.

Asked whether the United States Government had received any reports indicating "outside influences" provoking the Peru-Ecuador clashes, Mr. Sumner Welles replied quoting the old Spanish proverb: "Very often in angry waters fishing is good." He said that things of this kind were a matter of profound regret to the United States Government. — Reuter.

HOST IS ANGRY!

After Mrs. Emma Bradley, of Paterson, New Jersey, U.S.A., had paid £60 for the cremation of her husband, whom she had not seen for three years, he walked into the office of the police chief.

"What's all this I read in the paper about my being dead?" he demanded.

"Well," gasped the chief, "I guess you had better ask your wife."

The body that Mrs. Bradley had had cremated was that of a man killed in a motor accident. But Mrs. Bradley and two friends had agreed the body was that of Mr. Bradley. Tearfully, she claimed the remains.

The cremated man has now been identified. His family want the ashes and Mrs. Bradley wants her husband.

But as he says: "Go back to her! Not only did she have me arrested when I was living with her but she had me cremated!"

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NOT A STRAIGHT LINE BUT A ZIGZAG

THE RUSSO-GERMAN FRONT IS NOT A STRAIGHT LINE, BUT A WIDE ZIGZAG IN WHICH MOBILE FORCES WERE OPERATING, SAID M. LOZOVSKY, CHIEF OF THE RUSSIAN INFORMATION BUREAU, WHEN QUESTIONED BY JOURNALISTS ON THE MILITARY SITUATION.

Whenever any German unit stopped, he added, it was immediately counter-attacked and he quoted an incident in which a column of German tanks, halted by lack of fuel, was swiftly set upon by the Russians, throwing petrol. Many of the tanks were completely destroyed.

M. Lozovsky claimed that the German losses were much greater in the first fortnight on the present campaign than in the previous 22 war months.

The Germans, he said, had admitted casualties, before the invasion of Russia, amounting to 300,000, while British official quarters estimated them at 900,000.

M. Lozovsky added that the Russians, in 12 days, inflicted 700,000 casualties and these were mounting daily as the battle was proving fiercer.

Comparative Figures

The British estimate, he said, that in 22 months, the Germans lost 4,500 planes and 2,000 tanks. The Russians claim that in eight days they destroyed 1,500 planes and 2,500 tanks.

He said he was unable to disclose the Russian casualties or the number of troops mobilised. It is understood that the heavily wounded are being brought to Moscow for complicated operations and that the lighter casualties are going farther inland.

M. Lozovsky said that Russia has three times the number of men possessed by Germany. — Reuter.

WHITE SHIRT

The 22-year-old Earl Kitchener, great nephew of "K. of K." and his brother and heir presumptive, Mr. Charles Kitchener, are both with Officer Cadet Training Units.

Mr. Kitchener was wearing the battle dress of a cadet when he sat to the former Viennese portrait painter, Baroness Ines Taxis, whose sitters have included the Duchess of Kent and Queen Marie of Rumania.

But when the portrait is completed Mr. Kitchener will appear in a white shirt, digging in the garden. This seemed odd.

The Baroness explained she always endeavours to give a "personal background," and "this boy loves gardening and he is very English looking."

Contrast

Mr. Kitchener is 6 feet 3 inches tall, very fair and blue-eyed. He has a quiet, shy manner. His brother, Earl Kitchener, is much shorter, but has something of his famous great uncle in his steady dark eyes and firm mouth.

The Baroness, a woman of wit, went to England from Rome at the time of the Anschluss and her sons are being educated there.

She held an exhibition of her work at the Medici Galleries in 1939. She has been painting since childhood.

RICH GIRL A FITTER'S MATE

Pretty Yolanda de Ferranti, 20-year-old Society girl, who was presented at Court in 1939, is showing the war-work way to young women of leisure. Her father Mr. V. Z. de Ferranti, is head of the world-famous firm of electrical engineers.

But for the past few months Miss Ferranti has been a 39s. 6d.-a-week fitter's mate at a war factory—and not her father's factory.

Every morning at seven, neatly clad in her blue-trousered overalls, Miss Yolanda calls "good-bye" to the servants of her country home in Brookland, Alderley Edge, Cheshire, mounts her bicycle, and rides several miles to work.

As soon as she enters the factory Miss Yolanda becomes "Yo" to her fellow-workgirls and to "Abe" the fitter for whom she works.

Father is Proud

From 8 a.m. to 6.30 p.m. she is on the job, polishing metal parts for "Abe," plying hammer, spanner, and screwdriver.

"Some of her girl friends round here think she's mad," said her mother to a reporter. "But she doesn't mind. She went to the Employment Exchange, having decided that it would not be right to go into her father's firm."

"We are proud of her," her father said.

When she came home after finishing work at the factory Miss de Ferranti explained her job.

"It's just doing things—that I can do without any training which otherwise 'Abe' would have to do," she said. "He does the difficult parts and I do the easy ones."

"But I love the work because I feel that, however simple it is, I am doing something useful by leaving Abe more time to get on with the skilled jobs."

"I haven't had any training, but gradually one gets more skilled by watching and working."

"I've never felt happier in my life."

HER TROUSERS INFURIATE HIM

Because he considered his stepdaughter, 19, should not wear trousers, John Coutts, Kendall, of Myrtle Road, Exeter, quarrelled with his wife and refused to pay her £1 a week maintenance.

He was sent to prison for a month for being £4 3s. 6d. in your wife.

SEVEN MORE DANISH SHIPS REQUISITIONED

The U.S. Maritime Commission announced yesterday the requisitioning of seven more Danish cargo ships and their assignment to United States operators for use in the Pacific trade.

Eight Danish ships previously had been requisitioned. — Reuter.

MENZIES' BUDGET PROBLEM

The Commonwealth Government, headed by Mr. Menzies, may face difficulties in the forthcoming budget session, says a message from Canberra.

The proposed Budget is believed to contain sufficiently contentious matters to provoke Labour hostility and the three Government defeats on minor issues in the House of Representatives last week are interpreted as pointing to the weakness in the Government position, despite the statement of Mr. Curtin, the Labour leader, that Mr. Menzies and he are concentrating only on strengthening Australian defences and denying the possibility of an early election.

There is talk in some quarters of looking for a good election issue. In New South Wales, where Labour parliamentary influence is strongest, it is suggested that Labour would take office under Mr. Curtin as Prime Minister without an election. Unions are showing increasing anxiety that Labour should take action against the Government and are bringing increasing pressure to bear on their parliamentary leaders, but no crisis is in any case likely before Parliament meets, probably late in August. — Reuter.

SEVEN BURIED IN LANDSLIDE

A serious landslide occurred this morning near the junction of Argyle Street and Prince Edward Road, at the site of the old Victoria Home.

Seventeen coolies were engaged in excavation work on the site when a huge rock came down bringing down some hundreds of tons of earth.

Ten of the coolies escaped but seven were buried under the avalanche. The Fire Brigade later rescued four, seriously injured, and sent them to hospital, and two bodies were recovered. Digging is continuing for the seventh, but there is no hope of rescuing him alive.

The crash occurred at about 8.15 a.m., soon after work had begun.

area.

The Mayor pointed out to Kendall that bus conductresses wear trousers.

Kendall: But are they out at night until eleven o'clock?

The Mayor: Yes, they are.

The magistrate added that his daughter had been out until 2.30 that morning wearing trousers.

Kendall: But did your wife have to go down and fetch her in from an Air Force man?

The Clerk: That is not a good

reason for refusing to maintain

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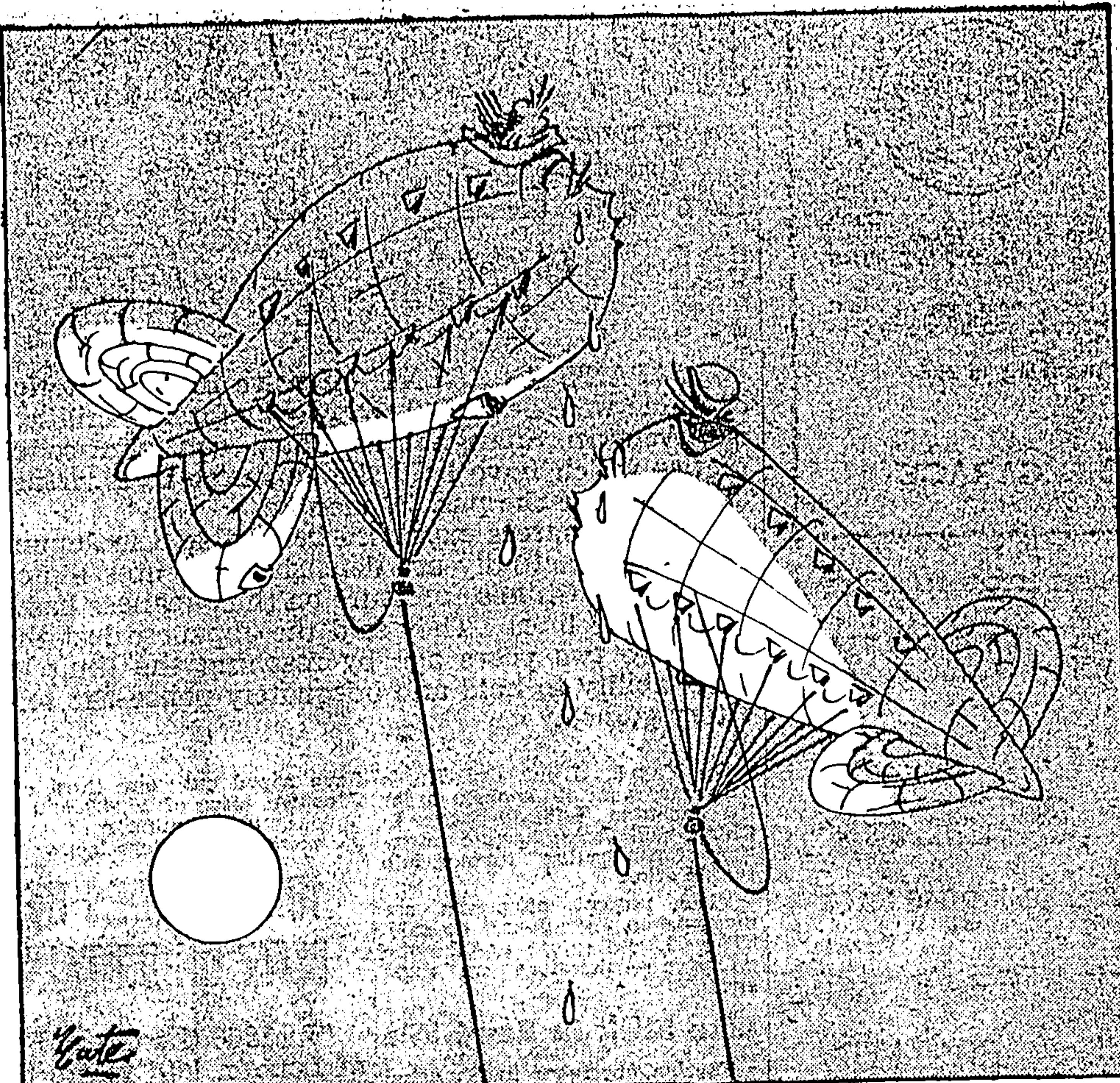
THE DEMOCRATIC PEACE

If the dangerous idea still lingers anywhere in bomb-torn Britain that it might one day be possible to make with the German Army the peace which cannot be made with Hitlerism, Mr. Anthony Eden does not share it. If the illusion persists that Britain can weaken the Nazis' hold over the German people by promises of future leniency, the Foreign Minister's latest version of British "peace aims" gives it little support. He is rather more emphatic than any previous spokesman in his declaration that British peace terms "will be designed to prevent a repetition of Germany's misdeeds"; that Germany is "the worst master Europe has yet known" and must "never be in a position" to violate European peace again. It is not Hitler of whom he speaks, but Germany. The words foreclose any fictitious peace of appeasement with an unbroken German military power by whatever name it might be called; they give no guarantees to the Germans and imply a total victory, or defeat.

Nothing else is possible to-day, and it is useless to dream of any easier exit from the immeasurable savagery which Hitlerism has forced upon the world. Either Germany must make the future or the democracies, and whichever wins the right to do so, the other must and will be put beyond the power of forcibly overthrowing the structure. The issue has passed beyond promises of leniency to the vanquished power; the only promises that can now be made are promises of the kind of future which the victory of one side or the other will hold out to all the peoples. There Mr. Eden places the possibilities of a British victory beside those offered by the totalitarians. Where Hitlerism is driven impetuously to ravage everything within its reach, "it is obvious that we have no motive of self-interest prompting us to economic exploitation of Germany or of the rest of Europe." Where Hitlerism carries privation wherever it goes, a British victory will immediately open up to Germans and to all Europeans the mounting stores of the British Commonwealth and the Americas. It is to the British interest to restore political and spiritual freedom, to restore a fruitful international exchange of goods, to avert the starvation and want into which such vast areas of the world are so rapidly sinking and must continue to sink under a Hitler empire. And these are Britain's peace aims, and what the world — Germans, as well as Englishmen or Greeks or Americans or Japanese — may expect of a British victory.

They are not precise; it is doubtful if any plans for the future could be drawn with precision now. But they are very great aims. What Mr. Eden fails to do, as other British spokesmen have failed, is to make them glow with the tremendous possibilities latent in them. He gives them a dull, a negative and almost apologetic cast. He promises that Britain will not repeat the economic follies of the years after 1914, will not return to the political-social chaos of the pre-war world. He does not show how dead that system already is in Britain, how great are the real creative powers of democracy, not just to refrain from past errors, but to strike out for new political and social inventions. Mr. Eden does not show its democracy as a whole, placidly sure of itself, has failed to show it to the world.

These are great aims, all the greater because they are not embodied in a precise plan to be dictated to humanity but are a challenge and an invitation to all peoples to collaborate in their realization. Democracy has peace aims — far more, it has peace possibilities — which now, already, are dazzling beside the unsub with



"We are fading I think, My Gertie!"

"Why?"

"Well, we aren't attracting the blitz boys any more."

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SEVERAL weeks ago a Nazi bomb destroyed three houses hundred yards from my door.

At first, as I passed them, what I felt was a blend of anger and pity. Three homes lay in brutal confusion — books and beading toys and bricks.

On the top of the heap was a page torn from Mr. Wells's "Outline of History." From under his bushy brows Neanderthal man surveyed our civilisation.

Gradually the wreckage was cleared, and now I pass the gap with a disposition to thank that unknown enemy. He let in light and air, and he set me planning.

I realised more sharply than ever I had done before what abject victims we all are to property and tradition.

Many wise men have been busy in drafting a new version of the rights of man. If I had to do it, I know what right I should put first — the right to fresh air and sunlight, the right to a long vista of space, the right to see green grass and trees.

We are pitiful slaves if we allow the landlords and the lawyers to rob us of these things.

We have all been reflecting in this style since the bombs began to fall. I defy anyone, even Colonel Blimp, to visit the devastated area round the docks without wanting to sweep away this squalor built by greed.

We all realise that if these mean two-storeyed streets gave way to buildings even four storeys high, we could devote half the space they cover to lawns and flower-beds; if we built them eight or twelve storeys high, every docker might live in a park.

Shall we do it? Some of us are brave enough to plan the future city so.

We have all been congratulating first of all the architect and then the City Council of Coventry, because they have had the courage and intelligence to sweep away the entire wreckage of the

which the Nazi propagandists have successfully bewitched so many minds. It is not more precise blueprints which democracy now requires. It is the energy and confidence to propagate throughout the world, by every means of modern communication, by every appeal to the imagination and the enthusiasm of men, the immense promise which it now carries.

chaotic past and plan anew with modern notions of health and transport.

So long as it is towns we have to plan, our Labour Movement has sound instincts. In one sense, too, it cares about the country. Even round London, before it is too late, we may save as our play-

By H. N. Brailsford

ground the Chiltern woods and the Surrey hills. The country as a park in which we may walk on a Sunday is an idea we have grasped.

I think we may trust Arthur Greenwood to remember this in his planning.

But is that all we mean by the countryside?

If such notions govern our planning, we shall destroy our island and falsify our history.

Land is earth into which men drive the spade and the plough. Land is first of all the soil in which grass and wheat and potatoes spread their roots. Land is food, but, above all, land is labour.

Do not let the Book of Genesis mislead you. Round every farm and in every villager's garden man is the creator who made the dry land.

Have you ever asked how the black earth round some venerable thatched cottage got its colour? Generations of peasants made it through the centuries.

Patiently every winter they forked into it the dung and the wood ashes that gave it fertility; their hoes let in the air and the frosts broke up what they had loosened.

In some regions of England man has been making the soil for three or four thousand years. From our nineteen's photographs the archaeologists can tell us how the ancient Britons drove their ploughs — first round little square fields and afterwards over long strips.

Century by century these ancestors of ours, a handful of men in a wilderness, drained the swamps, turned the forests and ploughed in the rough grass.

Wealth: what is wealth? The townsman thinks it is money: you can make that by speculating in building sites.

The countryman thinks better. Wealth is the till good men have

made by draining and ploughing through thirty centuries.

That is what we are now destroying every year with suicidal speed in our unplanned countryside.

We are all aware that the speculative builder is ruining the beauty of our landscape. He is doing something even worse.

The ribbons of his tedium villas follow the roads and roads tend to me most numerous where the land is flat and fertile and well-worked.

Round a Chiltern village I know well I have been watching for ten years this rapid destruction of wealth. One by one the best fields are sold for building, and the dwindling farms produce less wheat and thinner milk, while the man who sells the land grows rich.

While some of us (with my warm sympathy) will plead with Mr. Greenwood that the amenities of the country shall be respected in his national plan, I want to plead for the wealth of the soil.

Of all claims on the land, the first should be the farmers', and when we assign to it its future use, our first care must be to protect the old pastures and the ploughed fields.

That means a revolution in our urban values, and it sets us the task of raising the countryman's standard of life — his cottage, his school and his recreations as well as his wages — up to the townsmen's level.

But how, when we try to preserve the best land for its proper use as tillage, are we to meet the

Much of it is "ripening" for sale to the builder. Are we to pay an endless ransom in compensation, so that we may "sterilise" it?

The thing can be done on an adequate scale only when urban land and agricultural land are brought together under the common ownership of the nation.

What we lose then by forbidding building on fertile fields we shall balance by what we gain in site values by our urban improvements.

Given national ownership of the land, it will be possible to transplant industries — to suit changed conditions — and even to root up and replant a derelict town what we lose here, we make good there.

No system of controls, however drastic, can vie with the advantages of ownership in planning. If we were to rest our case for it on that foundation and state it with good temper, as men who love the earth and the sunlight, I sometimes dare to think we might carry it by general consent.

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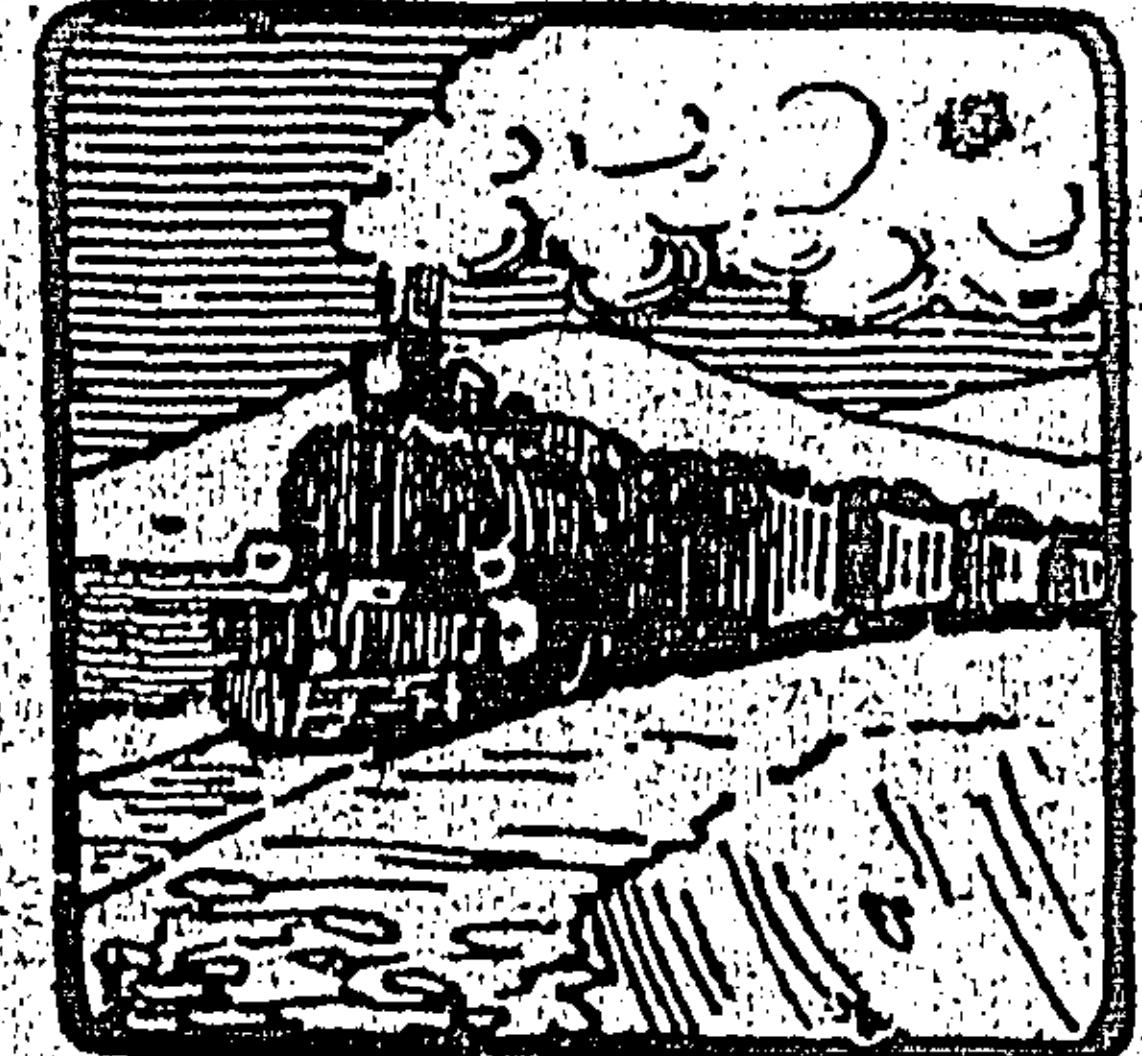
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JAPANESE STRATEGISTS BAFFLED BY STALEMATE IN "CHINA AFFAIR"

JAPAN'S CURRENT offensive in the interior of China were described recently by foreign military observers in Shanghai as but a continuance of tactics which have held the Japanese at a virtual stalemate for the past 30 months.

These sources expressed belief that the Japanese attacks actually are defensive measures aimed at relieving Chinese pressure on the Japanese bases and supply lines. They said the Japanese lost the initiative two years ago by reaching the limit of their ability to hold and adequately police the territory gained.

On May 9, Lt. Col. Kunio Akiyama, official spokesman for the Japanese military forces in China, said Japan has no intention of penetrating further into the interior.

"The present offensives are mopping-up operations," he said. "The Chinese refuse to take the offensive — therefore we must strike."

Like Stick in Sand Pile

Foreign observers in Shanghai compared present Japanese campaigns, as well as those of the past 2½ years, with the act of pushing a stick into a sand pile. When the stick is withdrawn, the sand floods back into the hole.

It has become standard Chinese tactics, they said, for the defenders to slip away when the Japanese struck. Then, when the Japanese return to their bases, the Chinese move back to resume harassing attacks.

The periodic mopping-up campaigns of the Japanese and their subsequent withdrawals have left the war picture essentially unchanged, these observers asserted, beyond the casualties which China can better afford than Japan.

Japanese conquest in China reached the high-water mark in 1938, these men say, when the capture of Canton and Hankow failed to bring about China's submission.

Cannot Break Stalemate

To-day the Japanese are baffled and at a loss to know how to move next in the China affair, the foreign observers stated, adding that the Japanese lack military strength necessary to break the stalemate.

The other-day, however, the Japanese command reported that the offensive along the Yellow River was nearing a successful conclusion as Japanese forces on the south bank seized six fording places, thus assertedly cutting off retreat of 200,000 Chinese troops seeking to escape from Shansi.

In Hupeh Province, the Japanese, advancing to the northwest along both banks of the Han River, reported they were driving back another body of 200,000 Chinese.

Contrasting the futile campaigns in the interior, military observers agree that the Japanese obtained important results in their recent operations along the coast whereby they clamped down on Chungking's supply lines.

On May 12 the Japanese took Waichow, north of Hong Kong, severing an important trade route which had been carrying a heavy and carefully shielded traffic to the interior.

Long Battle Front

Chinese dispatches to Hong Kong reported intensified fighting in South Shansi Province, and said the main Chinese-Japanese battle line extended more than 150 miles in an inverted "V" shape from Tsinhsui to Siabsien and Menghsien.

Observers speculated on the possibility that Japan was forcing the battle with crack Chinese armies in an ambitious, offensive designed eventually to carry the invaders from Shansi to the hinterland of Szechwan across Southern Shansi Province.

Formidable obstacles to such a drive are the Yellow River, which the Japanese would have to cross, and strongly entrenched Chinese forces believed in non-Chinese quarters to number fully 1,000,000 men.

Meanwhile, in continuing battles in Honan and Hupeh Provinces, the Chinese claimed they

BOMBS CHANGE STIMMUNG

Time, the American news magazine, publishes the following letter in a recent issue, just arrived in England:

I got in an indirect way a letter from my home town in Germany. . . . I give you the letter, which was written on December 28, 1940 in my own very textual translation:

"The nights were unquiet. Up to this moment we had 160 aviation alarms here in Dusseldorf. Realise how that spoils your nerves.

"The two alarms at the beginning of this month were especially hideous. The industries situated on the right side of the railroad have suffered especially, likewise the Graf Adolf Strasse.

Devastated

"Part of this street (one of the main streets in Dusseldorf) looks really devastated.

"In the Altstadt (old part of the city centre) too you find sad corners. A few thousand fire bombs have come down.

"The most terrible thing is the shooting. Often it lasts for three hours without any interruption. Soldiers who have participated in the French offensive say that it was not so bad at the front.

"It is difficult to learn how much industry has suffered as this is kept in great secret.

"The frame of mind (Stimmung) was naturally sky-high during the summer. Everywhere one could hear the stereotype phrase: In three weeks the war is finished.

"In the meantime that has changed and the frame of mind is going downwards strongly. All people are more than nervous."

PHANTOM SHIP GIVES NAZIS A HEADACHE

"THE PHANTOM sailed again." Those words will have been passed from mouth to mouth in Nazi-governed Norway following the lightning raid by a Norwegian warship on part of the Norwegian coast.

For weeks a story has been sweeping Norway and trickling through into Sweden that a phantom destroyer has been dodging round Norway's coast, playing jokes on Nazi garrisons and outposts, and generally upsetting the complacency of Norway's temporary Nazi masters.

Now comes the news that the surprise Easter raid first reported via Stockholm was undertaken by a Norwegian warship under Norwegian command — in agreement with British naval authorities.

It took the Germans completely by surprise, according to reports reaching Stockholm from Oslo.

There were no British losses, and oil depots, a factory and harbour works were destroyed.

"She's Here Again!"

The first acts of the landing party were to cut telephone and telegraph lines, and take prisoners the local leaders of Quisling's party.

The harbour which was raided is in the same district as Svolvær, the scene of the previous British and Norwegian raid on the Lofoten Islands.

The Berlin radio admitted that the local fish plant had been set

on fire. It added:

"As weather conditions did not permit our bombers to intercept this raider, hunting for dead here, it was able to get away."

One can guess at the consternation among the Nazi officers garrisoned on this part of the Norwegian coast.

Lately some of them have found neatly folded two-day-old copies of London newspapers alongside their breakfast sausages.

How did they get there? No Norwegian seemed to know. But the whisper went round the coastline. "It's our destroyer Sleipner. She's here again."

Ran Gauntlet

Tales are being told in the Northern countries of how she has been running the Nazi gauntlet to reach her own coastline, mining the entrances to hidden bays, destroying lonely outposts and capturing German small craft.

There is no news so far about which warship was engaged in this Easter raid.

But in Norway they'll be saying she was the phantom Sleipner, whose daring cheers up those Norwegians awaiting liberation from the aggressors.

HUGE FIRES STARTED IN RAID ON MUNSTER

FIFTY FIRES IN MUNSTER ALONE WERE COUNTED BY AIR CREWS TAKING PART IN SUNDAY NIGHT'S POWERFUL BOMBING ATTACKS ON GERMANY AND GERMAN OCCUPIED TERRITORY.

Enemy resources were attacked on land and sea. One force went to Western Germany to continue the disorganisation of traffic and the break down of industries. The other went to North-West France to attack the German warships at Brest.

CAPTAIN TRICKED U-BOAT

The King and the sea captain met on a bustling wharf in Glasgow, and the captain told the King that his ship had been torpedoed in the Atlantic.

This was his story. "A U-boat broke surface a hundred yards away.

"I went hard to starboard as quick as I could. But the U-boat was quick, too, and a torpedo struck the ship on the port side.

"We put up a smoke screen, and Mr. Johnson, my chief engineer, kept his engines at full speed, although at one time his 'shop' was full of water. Although she was listing to port, she was trimmed, and brought back on an even keel."

Last night's London Gazette announced that Captain Rice, of Holdway, Upminster, Essex, and Chief Engineer Albert George Johnson, chief engineer, of Beresford Avenue, Bebington, Cheshire, are to be additional officers of the Order of the British Empire for saving "a most valuable ship" without the help of any other vessel.

Bombed

And here are two more reasons why the King is proud of his sailors:

A ship commanded by Captain John Joseph Robinson, of Runcorn Bay, Yorkshire, was raked by machine-gun fire and hit by a whole stick of bombs. She began to go down by the head.

Captain Robinson had his right hand torn; all the boats were damaged. But he got the port lifeboat into the water. Having first made sure that no one was left on board, Captain Robinson, with twenty-seven men, stood by waiting calmly for a rescue ship.

Captain Robinson is also made an officer of the Order of the British Empire.

John Henry Cook, of St. Andrew Road, Gorleston-on-Sea, was master of an unarmed lightship which was bombed and machine-gunned.

A third of his crew was out of action, but Cook kept his ship on station as a good sea-mark, and "showed great courage and devotion to duty." He receives the medal of the Civil Division, O.B.E.

FATHER GUARDS HEROES' NAMES

Clydeside was the main objective of Nazi raiders on recently and casualties were heavy.

Belfast and other Ulster ports were also attacked. Liverpool had its fifth successive raid. Damage was widespread, but casualties were few.

A weary-eyed man of about sixty-five, frayed war ribbons on his breast, stood watching a Liverpool rescue squad toiling recently amid charred ruins.

"My two lads are beneath

In West Germany, Munster—junction of many railways—was attacked while it was still smouldering after the heavy bombing of the night before. Again the city was made a mass of flames. In one railway yard, there was an enormous fire and the railway sheds were rent by terrific explosions.

Though Munster is the capital of Westphalia, Dortmund is the largest town and the great centre of the heavy industry. Here also there was widespread destruction, of which one report stated: "A huge factory building was seen ablaze with fires all around. There were fires also in docks."

Cologne, Dusseldorf and Emden were among other towns where our bombers attacked industries and supplies.

In Holland, where various objectives including the docks at Rotterdam were attacked during the night, blazing warehouses lit up an enemy supply ship on the Zuider Zee not far from Amsterdam. The ship was soon from one of our bombers, which scored a hit on it.

Warships Bombed

At Brest, very heavy armour-piercing bombs were dropped on the berths of the three German warships, Scharnhorst, Gneisenau and Prinz Eugen.

The increased strength of the defences is proof, if proof were needed, of the value which the enemy attached to these warships and of the anxiety to get them ready for sea.

In the course of last night's attack, a liner of about 10,000 tons was sighted at anchor in the harbour at Brest. Diving down to attack and flattening out at about 50 feet, one British aircraft hit the ship with a powerful bomb, the explosion of which was seen, fair and square, on the stern. British Wireless.

LETTER OF FIREMAN'S WIFE

SEVENTEEN FIREMEN FROM THE CATFORD AREA OF LONDON AND THEIR WIVES HAD TEA YESTERDAY AFTERNOON WITH MRS. WINANT, WIFE OF THE U.S. AMBASSADOR.

This was the outcome of a letter received by Mrs. Winant from the wife of a London fireman in Catford. The writer said she wanted Mrs. Winant to know her coming to England to join the Ambassador had "roused the admiration of all wives and mothers in London, especially those who know what an uncomfortable experience it is to endure the Blitz in order to keep the home fires burning."

She added the hope that Anglo-American cooperation would endure.

Expressing appreciation of the spirit underlying the letter, Mrs. Winant sent out the invitation. British Wireless.

that lot," he said. "They were in the A.R.S. The building caved in on top of them as they were trying to rescue an injured fire-watcher from the flames."

The man refused to give his name.

"This is a war of nameless heroes," he explained. "The lads would sooner have it that way."

Food convoys from other northern cities went to the blitzed area.

THREE "LAWRENCEES" WORK FOR BRITISH

Count Byron de Prorok, who has just returned to New York after twenty years' work in Africa as an archaeologist, believes that he knows the names of three new "Lawrencees of Arabia" working in Africa for the British, writes the correspondent of the "Evening Standard."

From scraps of information revealed by the Cairo communiques, and from knowledge he has picked up in Africa, he believes they are:

Major Ralph Alger Bagnold, leader of desert expeditions, veteran of the last war, and one of the greatest authorities in the world on the movements of sand dunes;

Mr. William Boyd Kennedy Shaw, a former member of the Sudan Forest Service and the Palestinian Department of Antiquities, a noted botanist and archaeologist;

Captain Norman Hillier, explorer, author, veteran of the last war, and organiser of a trading company which operated across the Libyan Desert, using light cars instead of camels.

Count de Prorok declared that "two other probable heroes of Britain's North African campaign" are Major John Glubb known to the Arabs as "the man with the scar," who organised the Bedouins in the twenties to fight Saudi Arabian raiders; and Major James Maxwell, former commander of Kurmuk, a friend and adviser of many Ethiopians.

"For years he has been studying trails through sand dunes. He must be the man who found the way to get light tanks through to attack Sidi Barrani, where the Italians were so confident it could not be done that they did not even post sentries over the dunes.

1,000ft. Hills

"Behind Sidi Barrani the dunes form hills 300 to 1,000ft. high, the height of the Eiffel Tower. They change constantly. Major Bagnold knows the winds of those parts; he knows how the dunes would change, and with his records and data and personal knowledge, he could very well have kept track of the changes until the exact moment when the dunes would pass and light cars could fly along on the rock surface beneath.

"In the Libyan desert that rock is as hard and flat as a billiard table.

"Mr. Shaw could have been the link between the British and Free French forces coming up from Lake Chad. He used to spend his time mapping the desert spaces in winter and then going to England in the hot weather to lecture and write.

"Captain Hillier was without a job after the last war. With his experience of the desert he organised the Western Desert Transport Company.

"His headquarters were at Mersa Matruh where the British drove into Libya started, and Siwa, the great Oasis of Jupiter, in the heart of the desert.

"He had rest houses and deposits of water and food placed strategically all over the desert.

The Senussi, who still call Graziani "the Butcher," are behind Hillier. They are behind anyone who is against Graziani.

"Hillier helped hundreds of the tribesmen to escape from the Italians through the barbed-wire fence Mussolini had set up along the Libyan-Egyptian frontier."

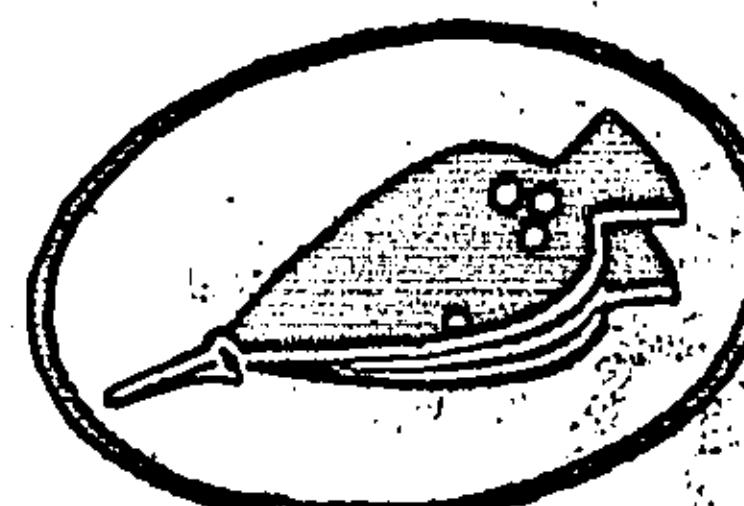
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BRIDGE NOTES

A USEFUL PLAY
By The Four Aces

To-day's hand illustrates a very useful defensive play, often missed by the average player:

South. Dealer
Both sides vulnerable

NORTH	
♦ A 8	
♥ J 9 8 2	
♦ 10 9 8	
♣ J 5 3 2	

WEST	
♦ J 10 9 3	
♣ A 6 4	
♦ 7 2	
♣ Q 9 6 4	

EAST	
♦ 7 6 5 4 2	
♥ 7 5	
♦ A 4 3	
♣ K 10 7	

SOUTH	
♦ K Q	
♥ K Q 10 3	
♦ K Q J 6 5	
♣ A 8	

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
10	Pass	1NT	Pass
20	Pass	30	Pass
30	Pass	Pass	Pass

West thought long and earnestly about the opening lead and finally hit upon the seven of diamonds. To be perfectly frank, we think his lead was dictated more by clairvoyance than any clear reasoning; but whatever the reason for it, the lead was the "killing" opening.

But it isn't enough to make the killing opening lead; you must also have a partner who can cooperate in the defense. Most players holding the East cards would automatically play the Ace of diamonds on the first trick. That would allow South to make his contract, for West would never be able to get a diamond ruff.

But East correctly read his partner's lead as the top of a doubleton, so he carefully refrained from winning the first trick. Instead he played the four of diamonds, the highest card he could spare to encourage a continuation when West regained the lead.

South overtook dummy's diamond eight with the Jack in order to lead the Queen of hearts, but West stepped up at once with the heart Ace in order to lead his remaining diamond. And then it was time for East to take his Ace and return the suit, giving his partner a ruff. Later on South had to give up a club trick, for a one-trick set.

* * *

Yesterday you were Oswald Jacoby's partner and, with neither side vulnerable, you held:

♦ Q 7 5	
♥ 10 9 8	
♦ A J 7 6 5 3	
♣ A	

The bidding:

You	Bentley	Jacoby	Maler
Pass	10	Pass	20
20	Pass	30	30
(?)			

ANSWER: Pass. If you bid again, you will probably "push" the opponents into game at spades — and that's just what you don't want. By passing, you give them the chance to play the hand conservatively at only three spades.

Score 100% for pass, 50% for four diamonds, 20% for five diamonds.

Question No. 762

To-day you hold the same hand, and the bidding continues:

You	Bentley	Jacoby	Maler
Pass	10	Pass	20
20	Pass	30	30
(?)			

What do you bid? (Answer to-morrow.)

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A SELF-EDUCATED ARMY IN BRITAIN

MOST PEOPLE ARE vaguely aware that, after many false starts, there is an Army education scheme in action, but they know very little about its purpose or about the way it works.

Until a few weeks ago, apart, of course, from technical military training, there was one single educational source in the Army — the one provided by the adult education bodies of Great Britain.

These bodies, working through regional committees, provided Army and R.A.F. units with lectures and discussions on a wide variety of subjects. The massed resources of university extension, W.E.A., local education authorities, &c., were thus lent, at first on a voluntary basis, to those citizens who had also become soldiers and almen for the duration.

But adult education in peacetime provides lecturers for an audience not one-twentieth the size of the Army to-day. The only possible way of supplementing this inadequate ration of imported education was for the Army to attempt to produce some of its own education. In its wise and imaginative pamphlet "Education in the War-time Army," as well as in later instructions, the War Office has urged on units the importance of developing their own cultural resources, and to-day, although the Army is using to the full the available services of the adult education bodies, it is also increasing, week by week, the number of "home - produce" educational classes. Unit education officers are now finding and using the teaching talent of officers and men at a rapidly increasing rate.

Good And Bad

Anyone who has spent a few weeks observing at close quarters the development of the new Army education scheme is at first bewildered by the contrasts it presents. In one unit the only sample you are offered is a weekly debate on such a topic as "Amateur v. professional in sport" or a spirited performance by a small percussion band.

But in another unit you will find a time-table which includes within a single week classes in French, German, music, drama, world affairs, local government, elementary science, and archaeology.

There are units so well off in teaching talent that they can not only provide their own men with a wide choice of subjects but can also lend their surplus to their poorer neighbours. In many places, again, the soldiers still depend entirely on the "imported" educational rations instead of providing their own.

The truth is that in this still tentative and experimental scheme several policies are operating, and not all of them are effective or even desirable. In some places, for example, the well-meaning but premature policy was tried of "training the men for the return to civil life." On this basis artisans were coaxed to consider the advantages of a black-coated life after the war and for a few brief and disillusioning weeks tried to learn book-keeping or shorthand or commercial French. This idea is now less favoured, and the local education authorities are better engaged, apart from the considerable aid they are giving in technical training, in arranging courses in handicrafts, drama, music, and similar constructive kinds of recreation.

"Anti-Boredom"

Another policy which gained a hold for a time was the anti-boredom line. It is probable that some commanding officers who would have been indifferent to "education for its own sake" were persuaded to push the scheme for its value in keeping the men occupied in the winter evenings. The weakness of the anti-boredom policy was that it tended to develop an indiscriminating idea of education. "Any old thing to interest the men" is an attitude which might soon produce the effect of a Graham's Law and reduce educational effort to a sheer entertainment level.

But one hears far less from commanding officers to-day than one did a few months ago about the antidote value of education and far more about its value as a stimulus to thought and as a provider of positive new interests and occupations.

FIRST RED COATS

It seems likely that Marston Moor has a close connection with the adoption of red as the colour traditional in the British Army before khaki. In the first years of the Civil War any gentleman who raised a troop for King or Parliament dressed his men in whatever colour he fancied: Rupert's Blue Coats, Hampden's Men in Green, Newcastle's White Coats would be seen in the motley of the early battlefields. The colour chiefly favoured in the Eastern Counties was red, and the predominant share of Cromwell and his Ironsides of "the Eastern Association" in the victory at Marston was most probably the reason why red was chosen when, a few months later, the New Model—the first Regular British Army—was dressed uniformly in red coats.

Sir John Fortescue, the historian of the British Army, was the first to investigate these questions fully in a magazine article long ago, in the course of which he quotes a letter from Cromwell to a Parliamentary colonel showing that the change to a uniform colour was not without opposition. The letter, with the right Cromwellian ring about it, must have discouraged further correspondence. "I hear your troops refuse the new coats. Say this: Wear them or go home. I stand no nonsense from anyone!"

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The office stenog says it's the boss' indisposition and not her sunburn that turns working hours on Monday into one long heated argument.

GROUND STAFF DOWN NAZI RAIDER

A German bomber recently emerged from a low layer of cloud above a group of ground defence crews of the R.A.F. Army Cooperation Command.

For long these gunners had been waiting to test their skill against an enemy raider, and they were ready.

The German airman swept the ground with a hail of machine-gun bullets. Disregarding this vicious attack, the R.A.F. ground crews held their fire and then took a steady aim.

The raider, still firing, circled around them. But the gunners continued firing, too—and fired so accurately that the Nazi aircraft crashed a few miles away and its crew was killed.

Only one R.A.F. man felt disappointed. His gun jammed as the Germans approached him. Though he tried hard to make the necessary repairs he was too late to have a shot at the enemy.

Nevertheless, he shares in the official congratulations sent to the gunners by their commanding officer.



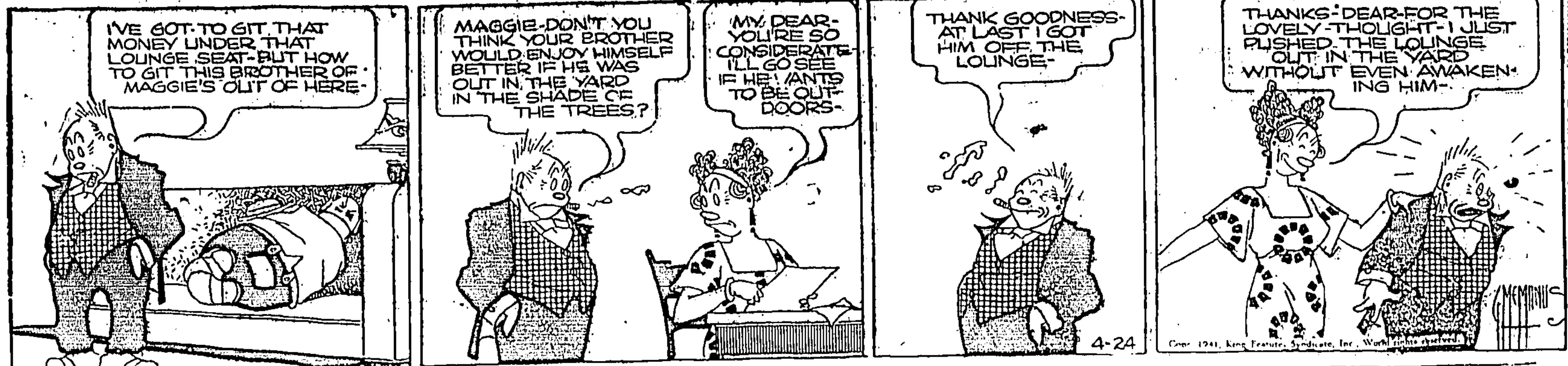
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By George MacManus



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Bringing Up Father

A PAGE FOR WOMEN

Fragrance And Colour

What woman doesn't want to be her daintiest and most alluring during summer? For romance can be with life as well as with a man, and to invite it we must be lovely! No wonder then that fascinating beauty aids make their mass bows during this time of the year their sponsors know the yearning that is in every woman's heart.

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SHIMMERING EYESHADOW—in three alluring shades and of such a consistency that it is as easy to apply as vaseline, and gives your eyelids a fascinating sheen as well as tint. You may use it on your eyelashes too, so they may sweep in colour. Blue, green or orchid—waiting for your selection.

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A Garden Picnic Is Fun

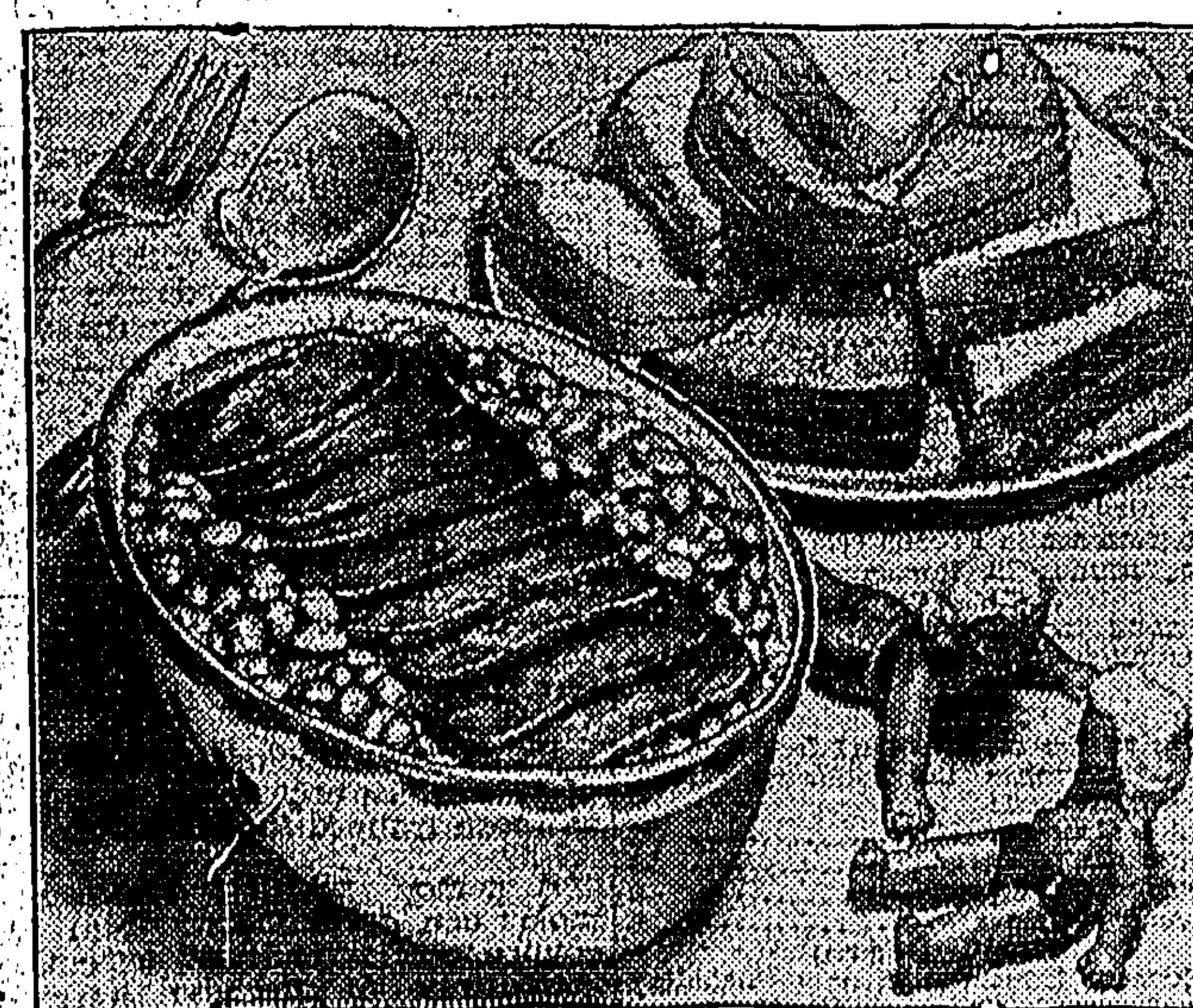
... and can be easy to prepare and to serve

Says Dorothy Grieg

The urge to eat outdoors under the open sky is all part of the good old summer time. But searching out the perfect picnic spot miles from home does loom up as something of a problem. So we'll just picnic in our own garden, thank you. It's outdoors, as pleasant a place as ever we will see—and there's no wrestling with traffic to get there.

For a garden supper plan on simple food, but food full of flavour and substantial enough to satisfy keen appetites. Eating outdoors sharpens appetites, you know. For instance—

GARDEN PICNIC SUPPER
*Casserole of Pork and Beans with Spiced Ham
*Cheese Tomato Sandwich
Mixed Vegetable Salad
Assorted Fresh Fruit
Hot Coffee



Casserole of Pork and Beans and Spiced Ham is an easy-to-prepare and most delicious dish for an outdoor meal.

*Casserole Of Pork And Spiced Ham

2 cans (16 ozs.) pork and beans
1 can (12) ozs. canned spiced ham
6 tablespoons brown sugar
1/2 teaspoon ground cloves
2 teaspoons butter
Empty 1 can of pork and beans into a casserole. Slice the canned spiced ham in thin slices and arrange half of it on top of the beans. Combine the sugar and ground cloves and sprinkle half of it over the ham. Make the second layer just like the first and dot on top with the butter. Bake in a moderately hot oven (375° F.) for 45 minutes to 1 hour. Serves 6-8.

*Cheese Tomato Sandwich

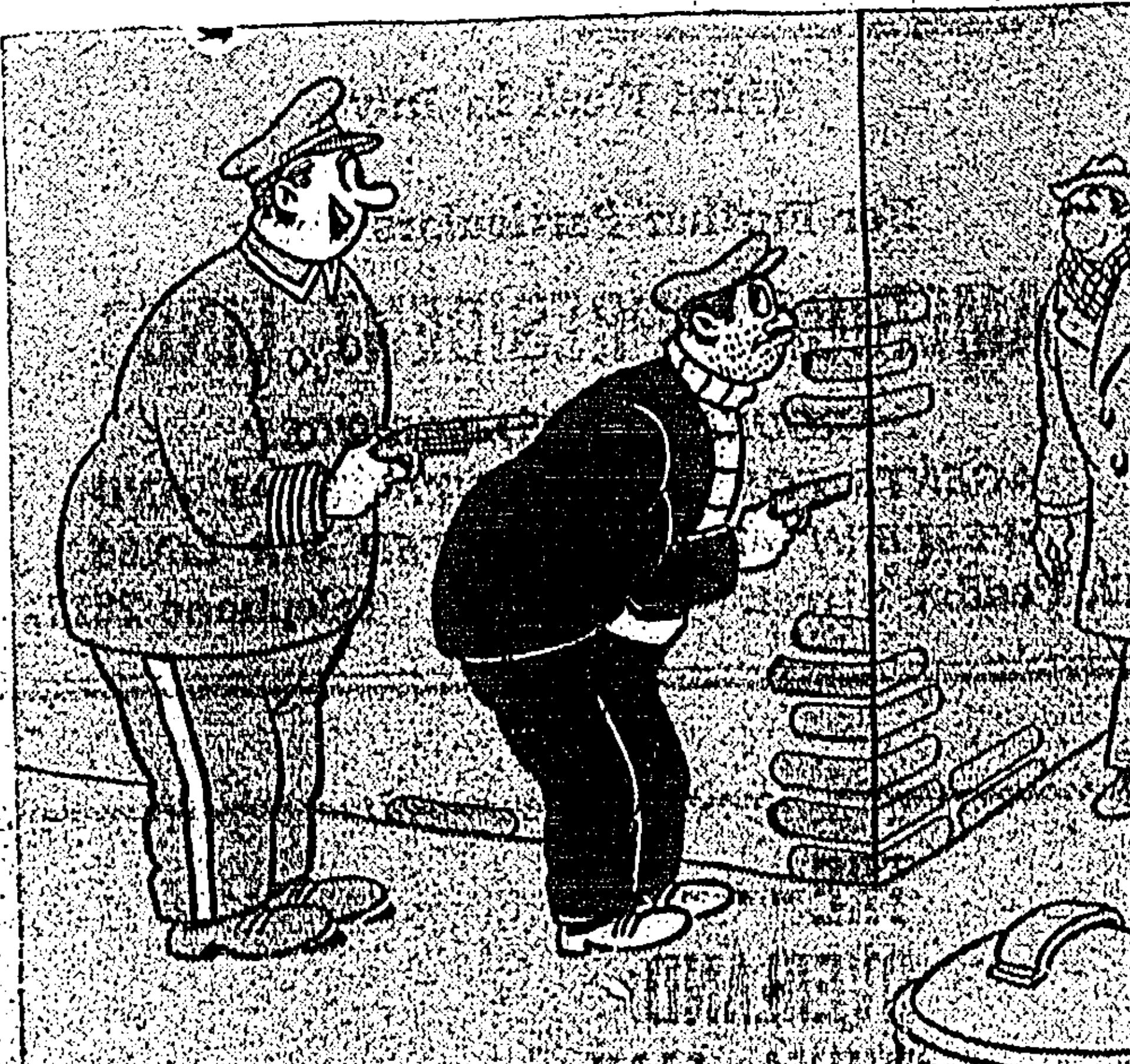
2/3 cup condensed tomato soup
1/2 pound grated cheese
1 egg
3 tablespoons mayonnaise
Combine tomato soup and grated cheese and heat in a double boiler until the cheese is just melted. Add the slightly beaten egg gradually and cook 3-4 minutes. Remove from fire and pour into shallow plate to cool. When cool add mayonnaise and mix well. Store in the refrigerator until firm. Makes 6-10 sandwiches. This filling keeps very well.

To make sandwiches—1. Spread each slice of bread with Cheese Tomato Spread and then put together.

2. Or spread each slice of bread with Chetco Tomato Spread and then put crisp bacon or slices of ham between sandwich slices.

OFF THE RECORD

By ED REED



"Now don't tell me you're looking for parachute troops?"

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REJUVENATION. "LOOKING
FOR TROUBLE"

Raj Vaidya Anand Swami, a Himalayan Yogi, wants to turn President Roosevelt, Gandhi and George Bernard Shaw into Peter Pans.

They are included amongst a number of the world's greatest men and women whom the Yogi has invited to visit his special rejuvenation treatment.

The treatment is secret. But it is believed to be simple.

Each patient will be placed in an underground cell for 60 days. His food will consist of plain rice, orange juice and fruits. And he will be given a Kaya Kalp medicine, consisting of Indian aya fruit, honey and essence of a Himalayan herb, the secret of which is known only to the Yogi.

A year ago, an eighty-years old Indian Congress leader underwent the treatment. When he came out of the cell he issued a Press statement in which he said that his grey hair had turned black, complexion, sight and hearing had greatly improved, and that he felt much younger and vigorous.

He also said that he was cutting new teeth.

The Swami has only one condition on which he is prepared to turn aged men and women into robust and vigorous personalities full of vitality and dynamic energy.

They must be famous people whose lease of long life could be devoted to the benefit of humanity.

Besides protecting British convoys, pilots of Fighter Command are continuously attacking the enemy in the waters on the other side of the Channel and in occupied territory itself. Even when weather prevents the operation of the large-scale "sweeps" which have become a feature of the air war since Fighter Command took the offensive, great numbers of Spitfires and Hurricanes go visiting in the enemy's backyard.

These are more than reconnaissance flights. The British fighter pilots are "looking for trouble" and only the lack of a similar enthusiasm on the enemy side often prevents them finding it. But rarely are these patrols entirely without incident.

Here are extracts from the log of a patrol carried out by Spitfires on a cloudy day recently.

"We took off to look for an enemy convoy off the French Coast. Visibility was bad over the Channel so we came down to 1,000 feet for a run to one of the ports.

"Immediately we sighted nine vessels close inshore, and an intense anti-aircraft barrage was put up. It came from shore batteries and from a ship in the centre of the convoy."

In spite of this intense anti-aircraft fire, one of the Spitfire pilots dived on the convoy and machine-gunned it from 600 feet.

The Intelligence Officer's report, made out on the pilot's return, adds the footnote: "This aircraft on landing was found to have bullet holes in both wings."

NAHILIN A
MINELAYER

A Luxury yacht in which the Duke and Duchess of Windsor were cruising before the Abdication is now a minelayer—on the enemy side.

Duke's Cocktail Bar

Nahlin was lent to the Duke by the very wealthy Lady Yule. With the then monarch aboard, Nahlin cruised in Aegean and Adriatic waters.

The Turks saw her when she anchored for a week off Moda, on the shores of the Bosphorus, while the Duke went to visit Ataturk.

A Turkish torpedo-boat recently recognised her off the Danube delta. She was flying the Rumanian flag, and had a German crew.

Nahlin steamed into the Black Sea some four years ago, when King Carol bought her from Lady Yule.

King Carol made many alterations in Nahlin. One of the few things unchanged was the cocktail bar. But the shaker with which the Duke himself mixed cocktails for his guests is in the Bahamas.

11.15 p.m.—Close down.
MONTHLY BROADCASTING REPORT
FOR JUNE, 1941

Actual hours of transmission totalled 4381/4 of which 201/4 were devoted to European Programmes, 210 to Chinese Programmes and 23 to Indian Programmes as follows:

Z.B.W. (European) 6034

Morning transmission 1342

Evening transmission 2014

During the month apart from recorded programmes the following items were broadcast:

Feature Programmes 1

Recitals 2

Studio Talks (including Book Reviews and Newsletters) 14

Local Relays (including Church Services) 7

Sunday Evening Epilogues 5

Daeventry Relays (including News) 118

Programmes in French (News, etc.) 30

Programmes in Portuguese 4

Z.E.K. (Chinese) 1

Morning transmission 60

Evening transmission 150

210

During the month apart from recorded programmes the following items were broadcast:

Studio Concerts 22

Studio Talks 29

Children's Concerts 6

Daeventry Relays 1

Z.B.W. (Indian) 23

Evening transmission only (including talks, records and recitals) 23

New licenses issued during June, 1941 233

Renewals of licenses during June, 1941 401

Total licenses issued during 1941 6,661

GENTLEMEN

IN VELVET

A drive to collect millions of moleskins to make into coats for sale in North and South America is being planned by the fur trade export group, supported by the Board of Trade.

The skins will replace supplies that used to come to London from Italy, France, Belgium and Holland. It is said that an average of 25,000,000 moleskins came to London every year from those countries and that most of them were re-exported.

As English moleskins make the finest and most durable fur coats, there is a big opportunity of developing an export trade for these garments independent of foreign supplies.

"By trapping moles, landowners, farmers and others will not only get rid of a pest and so increase food production, but will help to build up a valuable trade and raise foreign exchange to pay for war supplies from abroad," said an official of the Export Group.

"Our main effort will begin in the autumn, and the season lasts until March, during which time the fur is at its best, and we are rapidly building up an organisation to put people in touch with the nearest trappers and collectors."

Skins from moles trapped out of season are not worth as much as those trapped in the winter.

A person wishing to destroy moles can get authority from the county war agricultural executive committee to purchase a small quantity of strichnine to put down the burrows. The greatest care, however, is needed in the use of this poison to prevent danger to farm stock.

LOCAL SHARES

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Hong Kong Bank \$1360 b., \$1365 s.
Bank of East Asia \$72 b.
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Canton Ins. \$225 b.
Union Ins. \$305 s.
H.K. Fire Ins. \$185 b.
SHIPPING
Indo-Chinas (Pref.) \$80 b.
Indo-Chinas (Def.) \$65 b.
DOCKS, WHARVES, GODOWNS
ETC.
H.K. and K. Wharves \$90 b.
H.K. Docks \$15½ b., \$15.90 s.
Providents \$5.80 b., \$5.85 s.
\$5¾/80 s.
LANDS, HOTEL & BLDGS.
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H.K. Lands \$34.00 b., \$34.90 s., \$34½/60 s.
H.K. Realities \$3.20 b.
Chinese Estates \$100 b.
PUBLIC UTILITIES
H.K. Tramways \$17.10 b., \$17.15 s.
Star Ferries \$53¼ b.
China Lights (Old) \$5.90 b.
H.K. Electrics (Old) Ex. Rts \$22.40 b.
H.K. Electrics (New) \$21¼ s.
H.K. Electrics Rights \$11¼ s.
Macao Electrics \$18¾ b.
Telephones (Old) X.D. \$22¼ b.
Telephones (New) X.D. \$8.90 b.

INDUSTRIALS

Cements \$14½ b., \$15 s.
H.K. Ropes \$8.15 b.
STORES, & C.
Dairy Farms \$18½ b.
Watsons \$10.65 b., \$11 s., \$10¾ s.
LAST DAY'S SALES
7 H.K. Banks @ \$1365
160 Union Ins. @ \$395
500 Providents @ \$5¾
500 Hotels @ \$5.80
500 Lands @ \$3.32½
300 Lands @ \$34½
100 Lands @ \$34.60
200 Trams @ \$17.15
99 Lights (Old) @ \$5.85
50 Electrics (New) @ \$21¼
200 Electrics Rts. @ \$11¼

ATTACK FROM 15 MILES

THE REPORT OF A NEW ZEALAND PILOT OF FIGHTER COMMAND WHO RECENTLY SHOT DOWN AN ME. 109 INTO THE CHANNEL SHOWS THAT HE BEGAN HIS ATTACKING DIVE WHEN THE ENEMY MACHINE WAS FIFTEEN MILES AWAY.

He had been trailing a flight of three Me. 109's for several miles at 30,000 feet, hoping, as his report says, to intercept them when they turned for home. This, in his own words, is how his patience was rewarded:

"They were about fifteen miles ahead when the leader half rolled and his pals followed him. I dived to intercept the leader and gave him a two-second burst. He immediately rolled over and I saw that the enemy was one of the famous yellow-nosed squadron."

"He went into a steep dive towards Folkestone and I closed to 300 yards behind and held my fire till he levelled out. Then with two-second bursts I hit him again and he fell in the sea near a convoy."

PICTURES OF AIR COMBATS

As the fighter pilot fires at his target a cine camera automatically takes a record of the result of his fire. Soon after he lands he can watch a picture of his attacks, and has his report checked before the successes he claims are included in the daily communique.

Besides recording combats cine cameras are used to train air gunners and fighter pilots. Mock airfights can be staged without a single shot being fired, and the cine records can later be examined critically by the instructors.

Photography was used for gunnery training during the last War, and improved cameras have been under development ever since. The first types only took single pictures about 2½ in. square, and, although about 1920 cine photography with standard 35mm. film was tried, the still picture was for many years the standard method until it was superseded by cine records taken in specially designed 16mm. cine cameras.

The type G. 42B in use to-day is electrically operated. It is mounted inside the wing of the fighter and takes the pictures through a small hole in the leading edge. The camera is clamped on a special mounting so that it may be aligned before flight to take a picture of the field of fire of the guns at the operational range. An indicator in the cockpit tells the operator how much film is exposed, and he can control the exposure for sunny or cloudy weather.

When the gun-firing switch is depressed an electric motor drives the camera mechanism to take, 16, 18, or 20 separate pictures a second throughout the duration of the burst. At the end of each burst an unexposed "clear" frame of film is passed through the camera, and this shows as a bright flash on the screen.

The camera lens has a heater to prevent the formation of mist and ice due to the cloud and cold the aircraft flies through. Inside the camera body is a thermostatically controlled heater which keeps the camera at or above 50 deg. F.

Close Examination

After landing the film is developed and the moving record is projected on a screen. Concentric rings are painted on the screen. Considerable experience is required in interpretation since the bursts flash quickly on and off the screen. Sometimes it is necessary to stop the projection to examine each picture separately. The results obtained are not comparable in quality to the commercial cinema, since the camera takes its pictures through the air-screw arc and is mounted near the guns. The smoke, vapour, vibrations, and mistiness all tend to make the record fuzzy, and in any case the picture before enlargement is only about ½ in. by ½ in. Nevertheless a surprising amount of information can be obtained from these records, and the devastating effect of well-aimed fire is well illustrated.

For the training of air gunners the camera may be placed on a dummy gun or fitted in a turret. The results obtained with the free gun types are generally of better quality than those obtained with fixed guns. The type

POLES IN NAZI GUISE ATTACK

Bands of Polish youths, disguised as German police and S.S. men, are carrying on guerrilla warfare against the Nazis.

Three such bands are known to be operating over a wide area of Western Poland.

The youths secure their uniforms by attacking German police posts and their funds by raiding post offices.

Eleven Poles were arrested recently and accused of belonging to the guerrillas.

"Bandits"

The Nazi paper, "Krakauer Zeitung," has reported that seven German "military objectives" were attacked on one night.

It is also stated that the German police are using mechanised units to pursue "bandits."

This significant admission is evidence of the increasing guerrilla warfare in Nazi-occupied Poland.

Many Poles are still being sentenced to death for alleged "persecution" of Germans in Poland during the weeks before the Nazis invaded the country.

Gentiles in German occupied Poland are now imprisoned for attempting to communicate with the Jews in ghettos.

Permits

Several sentences of three months' imprisonment have been passed in Cracow, where a ghetto had been recently established.

Special permits are issued for traffic entering the ghetto.

In Warsaw the ghetto is cut off entirely from the rest of the city.

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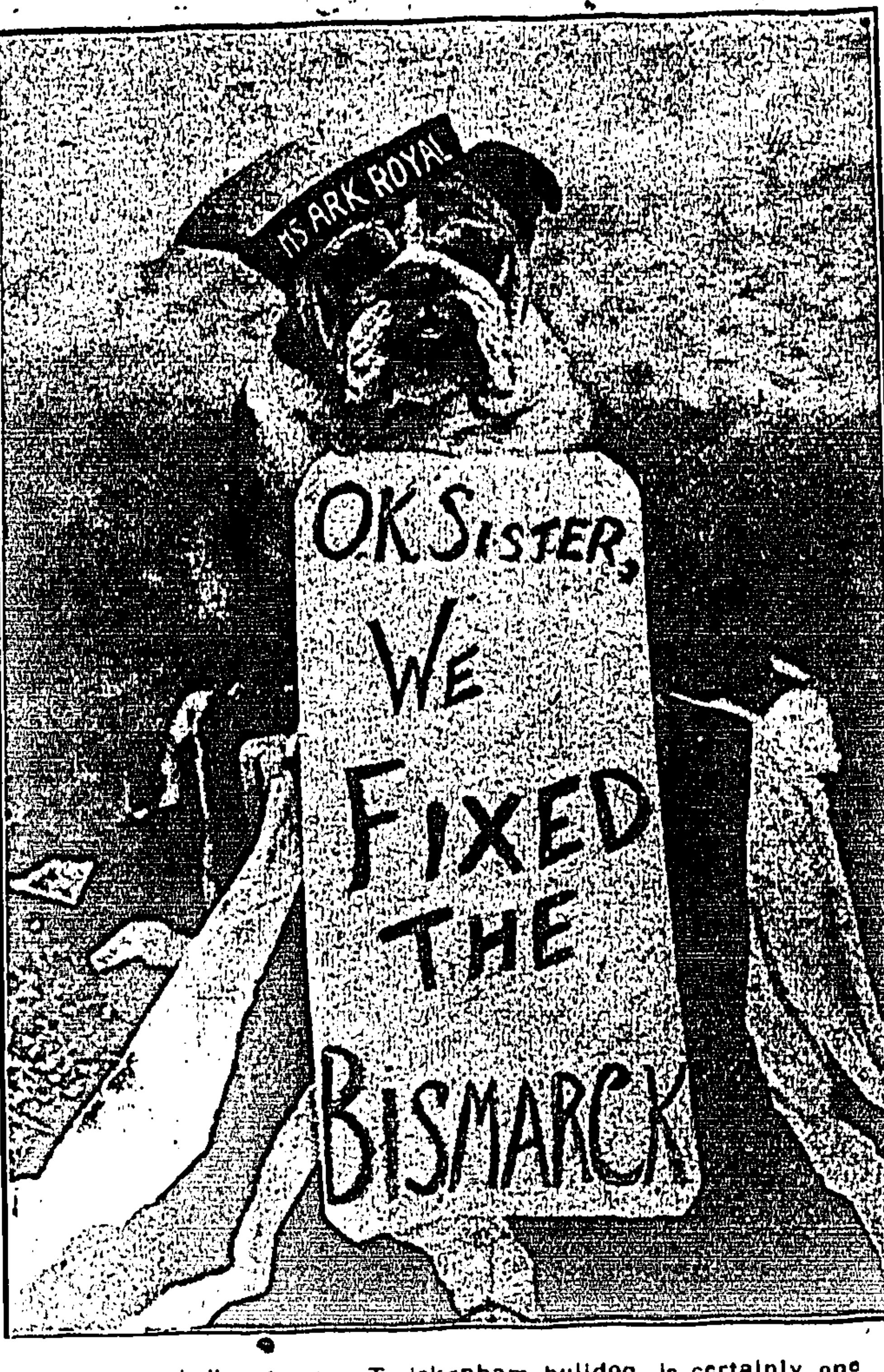
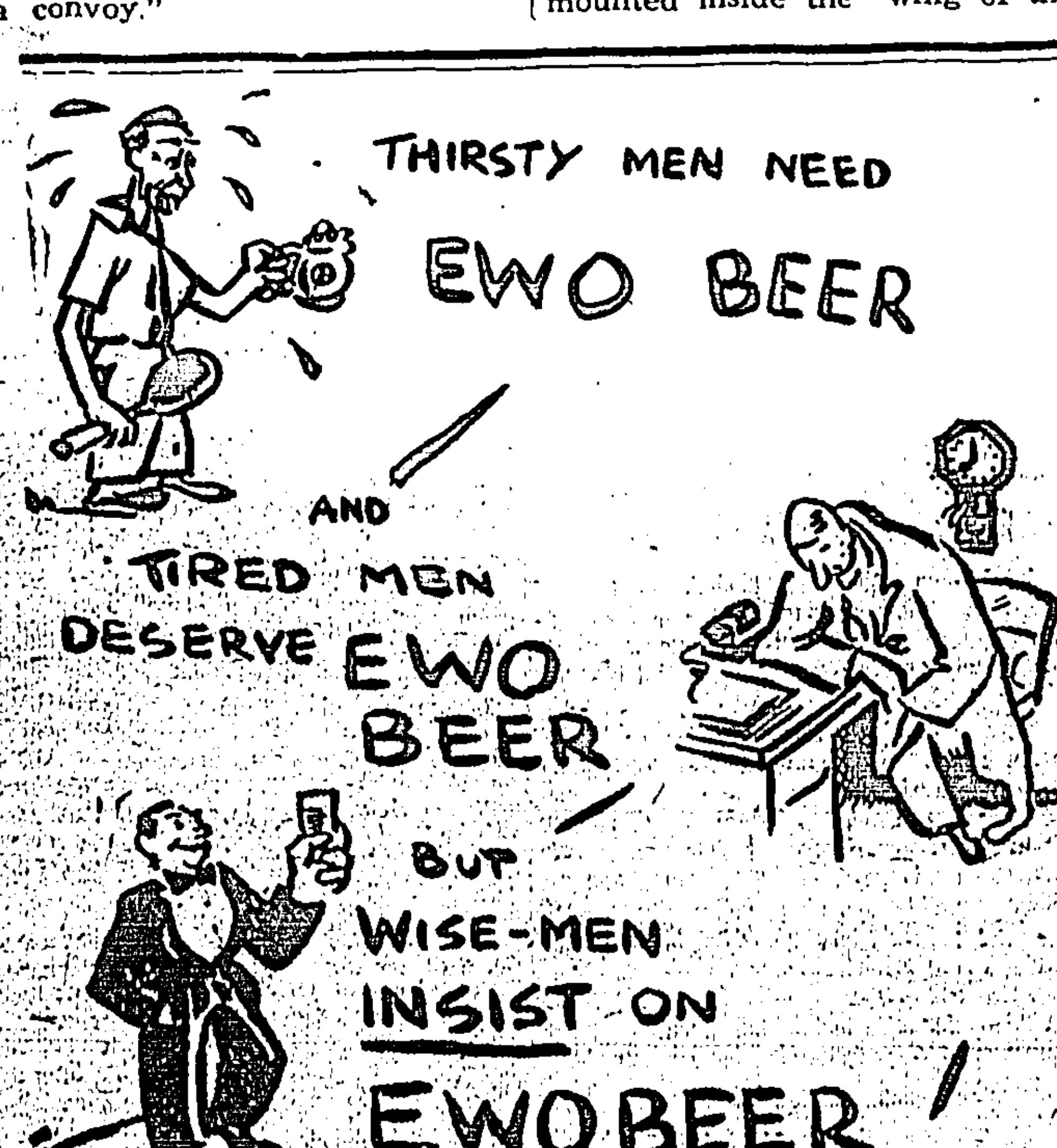
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By Best Ball



When the left hip fails to turn aside out of the path of the downstroke, the progress of the left arm is impeded, causing a collapse of this member and a hook to the ball. Quite often the player himself cannot immediately locate the cause of the trouble and attempts to steer the ball. This remedy does not straighten the ball's flight for the very simple reason that the let-up in swinging effort is not enough to force the left hip to turn aside. What is required is a strenuous swinging effort, which will make the left side turn to the left and return the left heel to the ground. It is well for the player to keep continually conscious of the fact that the left hip turning movement is one of the first downswing motions, moving slightly forward and around as the downstroke gets underway.

During the National Amateur tournament of 1934, Lawson Little was having a great deal of this identical trouble with his drives. Easing up did not help matters at all and in desperation he tried hitting the ball hard to rid his

Billy Chang Saves Chung Hwa From Whitewashing: Lose 10-1

By "Grandstand"

MAKING EFFECTIVE USE OF THEIR FIVE SAFETIES AND TAKING ADVANTAGE OF 16 FREE TICKETS TO THE INITIAL STATION, LARRY HAMLIN'S SAPPERS ROLLED OVER "CHUCK" WAGGONER'S MARAUDING MOHAWKS IN SATURDAY'S BASEBALL NIGHT-CAP BY 10 TO 9 TO KICK OVER THE THE OLD DOPE BUCKET, WHILST THE SLUGGING BREWERS POUNDED CHUNG HWA HURLER AL LAU FOR EIGHT SOLID BLOWS TO PAVE THE WAY FOR A 10 TO 1 TRIUMPH, DESPITE A SLIGHT DRIZZLE WHICH THREATENED TO HALT THE GAME.

If the team that graced the diamond last Saturday was the Marauding (?) Mohawks, they certainly were the tamest bunch of Indians I ever cast my orbs on, as brave after brave bit helplessly by.

Larry Hamlin's new pitching discovery, "Jonah" Jones, was the mound victor in his initial performance, and tossed them in for four frames, fanned two, walked two and was nicked for four blows before he was relieved by 'fireman' Mike Sarsfield, who hurled a one-hitter for the remaining three chapters.

"Wild Bill" Smith's return to the Tribe was hailed by hearty Bronx bouquets from the jockeys. Smith started on the hill, but was sent to the showers in the fourth after passing nine Sappers to first. Berne "Red" Johnson, who replaced Smith on the mound, suf-

game of the hook. This effort made the hip turn mandatory and forced the left heel down. Thereafter Little went on to win the title but it was only after the cure was effected that he realised just where the trouble lay.

Next Article.—Head Down Training Routine.

fered a similar fate after he had handed out four free tickets in succession with the bases clogged with Sappers in the same frame.

Master-mind "Chuck" Waggoner produced still another master in Johnnie Schaberg, who displayed hidden talent by whiffing nine and walking one only for the remainder of the fray.

Sappers went into a flying start as "Honest Tom" Fox worked Smith for a pass on four pitched balls, and burgled the midway. Bob Foley's rasping double to left saw Fox cross the pan standing up, for the first run. A walk, coupled with two errors, added three more tallies in the first. The Mohawks could only reply with one counter on a single and an outfield muff. Both sides were blanketed in the next, although Fox singled and pilfered second and third, but was left stranded as Bob Foley struck out.

In the third Engineers manufactured two more runs on four walks, helped by Taylor's liner and Welford's roller. They lost the lead as Mohawks produced a cluster of six markers on two blows and four bobbles.

Crack-Up Scented

Scenting a crack-up on the mound, Sappers played patience with slabster Smith and waited him out to load the bases. Smith was yanked for Johnson, who proved no better, leaving Schaberg

LEAGUE TABLE

TO DATE

	W.	L.	Pot.
U.S.S. Mindanao	2	0	1,000
T.K. Brewers	4	1	.800
Chung Hwa	3	1	.750
U.S.S. Asheville	1	1	.500
Royal Engineers	2	3	.400
H.K. Baseballers	0	3	.000
South China	0	3	.000

to halt the fiasco by fanning Foley and Shaw, but not after he had yielded a two-run single off Foley's heavy bludgeon.

When the smoke had cleared nine runs had already dented the counting station. For the remaining three semesters Mohawks could produce only two tallies.

"Honest Tom" Fox earned batting plaudits with a two-in-three performance, chased in two of his mates and showed he was no slouch on the fly paths as he cracked five bashes.

"Doc" Molthen and Bob Foley each clouted a two-bagger for the only extra-base knocks of the tilt.

4th Straight Win

Dave Leonard's bruising Brewery Bombers breezed on to their fourth straight victory at the expense of Chung Hwa Maroons. The latter put up unexpected resistance for the first two frames, but cracked right open under the pressure in the third frame with four costly errors, and finally succumbed to 1.

Chung Hwa receiver Bill Chang saved his side from a whitewashing by coming through with his first hit of the season to score Al Lau, who was perched on second. Madeen "Slim" Arculli again dished out a lackadaisical mound performance and was content to throw them over to the Hillless Wonders. Arculli fanned two and walked two, whilst Maroon chucker Al Lau passed one to first.

The Leonard brothers, Dave and Stan, the Powerhouse, were both unable to fatten their averages as they went to the platter four times without returning a hit.

Tony "Pee-wee" Aives again came into the batting limelight with a perfect bunt and a single to left in his three trips to the plate, whilst rookie Gerry Gosano lashed the horse-hide for a neat .500 in four batting chances.

Longest Hit Of Day

Madeen Arculli poked out the longest hit of the day with a powerful triple which went way over centre-fielder "Loney" Loong's head.

For the first two frames Brewers only managed to squeeze one run from Maroons.

Third-sacker Wally Ching's wild heave in the third, to give Madeen Arculli a life, was, however, the beginning of a series of errors which gave the Leonard men four markers.

The Beermen added two more in the fourth and the sixth, and one in the seventh to clinch the game.

Lai Tsun will be guests of Royal Scots at the Army pool on Thursday, July 17. Included in the programme are two open events, 400 and 1500 free-style and "Mickey" Relay (three swimmers, two lengths each, 100 yards each).

DIGNAN WELL AHEAD

Following is the goal-scoring-list to date in the Y.M.C.A. Invitation Water-Polo Tournament:

Dignan (Signals)	29
Bindon (Middlesex "A")	17
Jennings (Middlesex "A")	14
Macdonald (Combined S.U.)	14
McNulty (8th Regt. R.A.)	13
Rutter (Navy "A")	11
May (Y)	10
Wilson (Y)	10
Allen (Signals)	9
Paul (Navy "A")	9
Slater (Royal Scots "A")	8
Goldman (Y)	8
McCann (Signals)	7
Burdge (Middlesex "A")	7
Langridge (965th Bty. R.A.)	7
Halford (Navy "A")	7
Benn (Y)	6
Hunt (Signals)	6
Peacock (Middlesex "B")	6
Hunter (Royal Scots "A")	5
Wilson (Navy "C")	5
Knightly (Combined S.U.)	5
Miliar (Royal Scots "A")	5
Hoare (Navy "A")	5
Lear (8th A.A.)	5
Yabsley (6th A.A.)	5
Ure (Middlesex "A")	4
Hyman (Middlesex "A")	4
Carroll (Combined S.U.)	4
Radley (Middlesex "B")	4
Lomas (Middlesex "B")	4
Guy (8th Regt. R.A.)	4
Gardner (Navy "C")	4
Robinson (5th A.A.)	4
Quirkendon (Middlesex "A")	3
Nicholls (Combined S.U.)	3
Pidgeon (965th Bty. R.A.)	3
Carter (Navy "A")	3
Jeffery (Navy "A")	3
Bedford (Signals)	3
Goodenough (36th Bty. R.A.)	3
Dentith (Navy "B")	3
Hall (Navy "B")	3
Sutherland (Royal Scots "A")	3
Sheddy (Navy "C")	3
Clarke (5th A.A.)	3
Morris (Royal Scots "A")	2
Willis (Y)	2
Stoan (Y)	2
Ralton (Y)	2
Richards (Combined S.U.)	2
Thortley (Combined S.U.)	2
Roberts (965th Bty. R.A.)	2
Cullum (Navy "A")	2
Smith (Middlesex "B")	2
Pitcher (Signals)	2
Barker (Navy "B")	2
Woolridge (8th Regt. R.A.)	2
Marshall (8th Regt. R.A.)	2
Calhorne (8th Regt. R.A.)	2
Hunter (Royal Scots "B")	2
Huish (Navy "C")	2
Morris (Royal Scots "A")	1
Booker (Y)	1
Maynard (Y)	1
Roberts (Y)	1
Hodges (Middlesex "A")	1
Powell (Middlesex "A")	1
Jones (Middlesex "A")	1
Lyle (Middlesex "A")	1
Hedges (965th Bty. R.A.)	1
Hall (965th Bty. R.A.)	1
Standen (Middlesex "B")	1
Birdsey (Middlesex "B")	1
Jones (36th Bty. R.A.)	1
Trickey (36th Bty. R.A.)	1
Jenkins (36th Bty. R.A.)	1
Tapley (36th Bty. R.A.)	1
Downey (Navy "B")	1
Thomson (Navy "B")	1
Brown (Royal Scots "A")	1
Chay KWOK-WING (8th Regt. R.A.)	1
Thomas (Navy "C")	1
Gough (Navy "C")	1
Thomson (Navy "C")	1
Macbeth (Navy "C")	1
Byrne (Royal Scots "B")	1
Emerson (Royal Scots "B")	1
Mohrbeaux (6th A.A.)	1
Wilson (6th A.A.)	1
Davidson (Royal Scots "B")	1
Doherty (Navy "C")	1

SYHES WINS AGAIN

L. Sykes, receiving 50 handicap, beat H. Jackson, Dockyard billiards champion, by 500 points to 390 last night at European Y.M.C.A. Sykes, who recently won the Y.M.C.A. championship, from C. T. Champelovier, had a break of 53, while Jackson's best was 51.

It is understood that at the forthcoming annual general meeting of Indian Recreation Club the proposal to build an extension to the present clubhouse will be discussed. If this is approved this will mean better dressing-room facilities, not only for members but also for visiting teams.

In yesterday's editions it was reported that K. S. Robertson equalled a Third Division Bowls League record on Saturday, and that E. Kern set a new record low in Third Division. Both these feats were performed in Second Division, not Third.

A roller-skating-hockey match was played at Ciro's rink yesterday between Hong Kong Skating Club and the Never Wins, the Club winning 4-1. Cheung (2), Nien, and Davy scored for Club and Scott for the Never Wins.

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PICTURE OF ENTIRE HORSE RACE

When there is something new in racing it is introduced in progressive California.

The latest innovation at Hollywood Park is motion pictures of races in their entirety. The plan requires eight patrol judges each equipped with a combination binocular-camera.

Back at Hollywood Park, George Strate, veteran handler, gives Jimmy Wilson, Negro exercise boy, credit for Staretor's surprising second in the Kentucky Derby. Strate got Wilson from the famous trainer, Jimmy Rowe. Wilson galloped Whichone, which Harry Payne Whitney regarded as the finest horse he ever owned. Jimmy Wilson knows how to rate a horse to precision. He taught Staretor how to be rated, which is why the tall and strong reddish chestnut son of Messenger left all but Whirlaway behind in a record-wrecking race.

SATURDAY'S BOWLS

Following is next Saturday's programme of League Lawn Bowls matches.

FIRST DIVISION	
Recreto "A"	v KCC
K.D.R.C.	v CCC
C.S.C.C.	v P.R.C.
I.R.C.	v Recreto "B"
K.B.G.C. "B"	v K.B.G.C. "A"

SECOND DIVISION

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Recreto	v K.T.G.C.A
K.C.C.	v P.O.C.
C.C.C.	v H.K.F.C.
K.F.C.	v Taikoo

THIRD DIVISION

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CCC	v K.F.C.
H.K.F.C.	v I.R.C.
P.R.C.	v Recreto
H.K.C.C.	v H.K.E.R.C.

This afternoon's programme of Second Division League Tennis matches will consist of postponed games mutually rearranged.

V.R.C. Team To Meet Lai Tsun

VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB HELD THEIR LAST TRIALS YESTERDAY EVENING IN PREPARATION FOR THEIR SWIMMING MEETING AGAINST LAI TSUN ON SATURDAY.

Trials were held for only two events. In the 440 Yards free-style C. Silva-Netto came first easily, Fenton and J. Gomes being some distance behind.

After the first 300 yards Silva-Netto was leading by nearly a length, while half a length separated Gomes from Fenton. In the last lap Gomes made a great effort to catch Fenton but to no avail and lost by several yards.

In the 50 Yards breast-stroke event A. K. Rumjahn beat W. Lawrence.

At the end of the first lap there was little difference between the swimmers, but in the home stretch Rumjahn drew away towards the end.

Following were the results:—
440 YARDS FREE-STYLE—1, C. Silva-Netto (6 mins. 31.3 secs.); 2, J. Fenton (7 mins. 12 secs.); 3, J. Gomes (7 mins. 20.3 secs.).
50 YARDS BREAST-STROKE—1, A. K. Rumjahn (33.3 secs.); 2, W. Lawrence (34 secs.); 3, J. A. Marques (34.2 secs.).

Selected Team

Following are the selected swimmers to represent Victoria Recreation Club against Lai Tsun: Men's 200 Yards breast-stroke—J. Marques and A. Alves.

Men's 100 Yards free-style—W. Lawrence and L. Roza-Pereira.

Boys' 75 Yards Medley—C. Gutierrez, J. Roza-Pereira, J. Gomes, W. Ribeiro and J. Anderson Jr.

Men's 440 Yards free-style—Charles Huang and C. Silva-Netto.

Ladies' 50 Yards breast-stroke—Miss M. Noronha and Miss Y. Yolé.

Men's 100 Yards back-stroke—A. K. Rumjahn and T. Lopes.

Ladies' 100 Yards breast-stroke—Miss C. Gutierrez and Miss I. Lopes.

Ladies' 50-Yards free-style—Miss V. Churn and Miss J. Anderson.

Men's 150 Yards Medley Relay—A. K. Rumjahn (back), L. M. Remedios (breast) and D. H. Taylor (free-style).

Ladies' 200 Yards free-style relay—Miss V. Churn, Miss J. Anderson, C. Gutierrez and Miss I. Lopes.

Men's 880 Yards free-style relay—Lau Tai-ping, Yau Sal-kwan, Poon Wing-kai and Chan Chung-nam.

Lai Tsun Team

Lai Tsun held their final trials last night at Chinese Y.M.C.A. and the following have been chosen to represent them on Saturday:

Club Lawn Bowls Tournament Draws & Results To Date

Following are the latest Club lawn bowls tournament results and entries:

KOWLOON C.C.

Roger Lindsell Cup
Second Round:—R. S. Meadows beat D. Hung; F. A. Broadbridge beat J. Coles; Third Round:—A. E. Perry beat R. S. Meadows; T. A. Madar beat A. Bone; L. Jack beat S. A. Gray; N. A. Mackay beat A. W. Smith; N. D. Zimmerman beat G. W. Bowden; A. Madar beat A. J. Kew; N. D. Lloyd beat F. A. Fabel; A. E. P. Guest beat C. J. Tacchi; F. Goodwin beat A. H. Martin.

Tyro Competition

First Round:—A. Bone beat J. Burman. Second Round:—A. H. Martin beat A. Bone; E. Curtis beat J. Coles.

Handicap Pairs

Second Round: D. Hung and H. Overy (plus 4) beat F. A. Fabel and E. Curtis (plus 3); R. Leigh and R. S. Meadows (plus 2) beat W. W. Parsons and A. J. Kew (plus 2).

Club Championship

Second Round: S. A. Gray beat A. C. Trible; F. A. Broadbridge beat A. W. Smith; C. W. Bowden beat N. D. Lloyd; W. W. Parsons beat W. M. Gurney; A. Madar beat F. A. Fabel; E. C. Fletcher beat D. Hung; H. Brookes beat A. Bone.

Handicap Singles

First Round: F. A. Fabel (plus 4) beat F. A. Broadbridge (plus 3); H. L. Langley (plus 6) beat C. J. Tacchi; A. Steven (scr.) beat A. Bone (plus 6).

KOWLOON FOOTBALL CLUB

Handicap Singles

Second Round: A. Eastman (2) beat A. Dand (plus 2); R. Ogden (scr.) beat G. Frost (plus 3); C. Dowman (2) beat C. Woodcock (plus 2).

KOWLOON TONG G.A.

Club Championship

Second Round: V. N. Altena beat A. Madar; Third Round: W. J. Howard beat C. J. Roe.

Rinks Competition

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INTER-SCHOOL SWIMMING

MEETING

A meeting of school representatives will be held at Victoria Recreation Club on Thursday at 8 p.m. to discuss preliminary arrangements for the Inter-School swimming contest to be held shortly under the auspices of V.R.C.

T. Megarry (94-0-0) qualified for the Captain's Cup at Fanling during the week-end.

NAVY'S F.A. COUNCIL MEMBERS

Lieut. Commander G. S. Hugh-Jones and Able Seaman W. M. Glover are Royal Navy's representatives on the Council of Hong Kong Football Association for the coming season.

Lieut. Commander Hugh-Jones is well-known in legal circles and has always been interested in soccer, while A. B. Glover is a First Division referee and Hon. Secretary of the R.N. and R.M. Football Referees' Association.

CHAMPIONS' INTEREST IN OTHER SPORTS

MANY CHAMPIONS PREFER AN EVENT OR GAME OTHER THAN THE ONE IN WHICH THEY EXCEL. VERSATILE LES STEERS, THE BIG OREGONIAN WHO UPPED THE WORLD HIGH JUMP RECORD TO 6 FEET 10 25/32 INCHES, WOULD MUCH RATHER RUN THE HIGH HURDLES. HE TIED FOR FIRST IN A 15.6 FLIGHT.

NEUTRAL CORRESPONDENT ON BATTLE OF LEMBERG

High Tribute To Red Army's Stubbornness

AIR RAIDS IN FINLAND

Enemy planes bombed different places in Finland, Helsinki being raided on Monday when one person was killed and 20 wounded. A number of buildings were damaged.

Bombs were dropped on Kotka during the night on Sunday and Monday, and the resultant fires caused 20 houses to be damaged. Five of the raiding planes are reported to have been shot down.—Reuter.

GERMANY CLOSES REPRISAL CAMPS

The War Office in London states that information has been received through the good offices of the United States Embassy that Stalag 20A Fort 15 and Stalag 21D Fort 8 (both prisoner's camps) have been closed and that all officers have been transferred from them to other camps.

Some officers are said to have been sent to Oflag 5B. The camps that have been closed are the so-called "reprisal camps" to which certain officers were transferred early in March.—Reuter.

Quality Of Soviet Tank Weapons

"One of the greatest surprises for everybody, including specialists, is the extent of the Russian tank weapon," says the Berlin correspondent of the Zurich newspaper "Neue Zuercher Zeitung" describing a visit to Lwow.

He says that the Germans captured Lwow after eight days of constant fighting. The Germans were constantly attacked by Russian tank units which were used in big numbers.

The Russian tanks include 15-tonners equipped with 47 millimetre guns, medium tanks with 75.5 guns and bigger tanks with 15 centimetre guns.

German soldiers say that the latter were fast, but vulnerable in close fighting because besides the big gun, they carry only one machine-gun pointing forward which can be put out of action with a handgrenade.

The Russians are also using giant 60-ton tanks built on the French pattern with three gun turrets containing a howitzer, two light guns, and several machine-guns.

THESE ARE PRACTICALLY INVULNERABLE BUT ARE LIABLE TO GET BOGGED IN MARSHY GROUND.

Well Designed

The correspondent describes the

Russian guns, caterpillar vehicles and tanks as appearing "completely new, immaculately painted, well looked after, cleanly finished and well designed. He also remarks that in the positions, which the Russians evacuated, books of educational character were constantly found.

Bitter Opposition

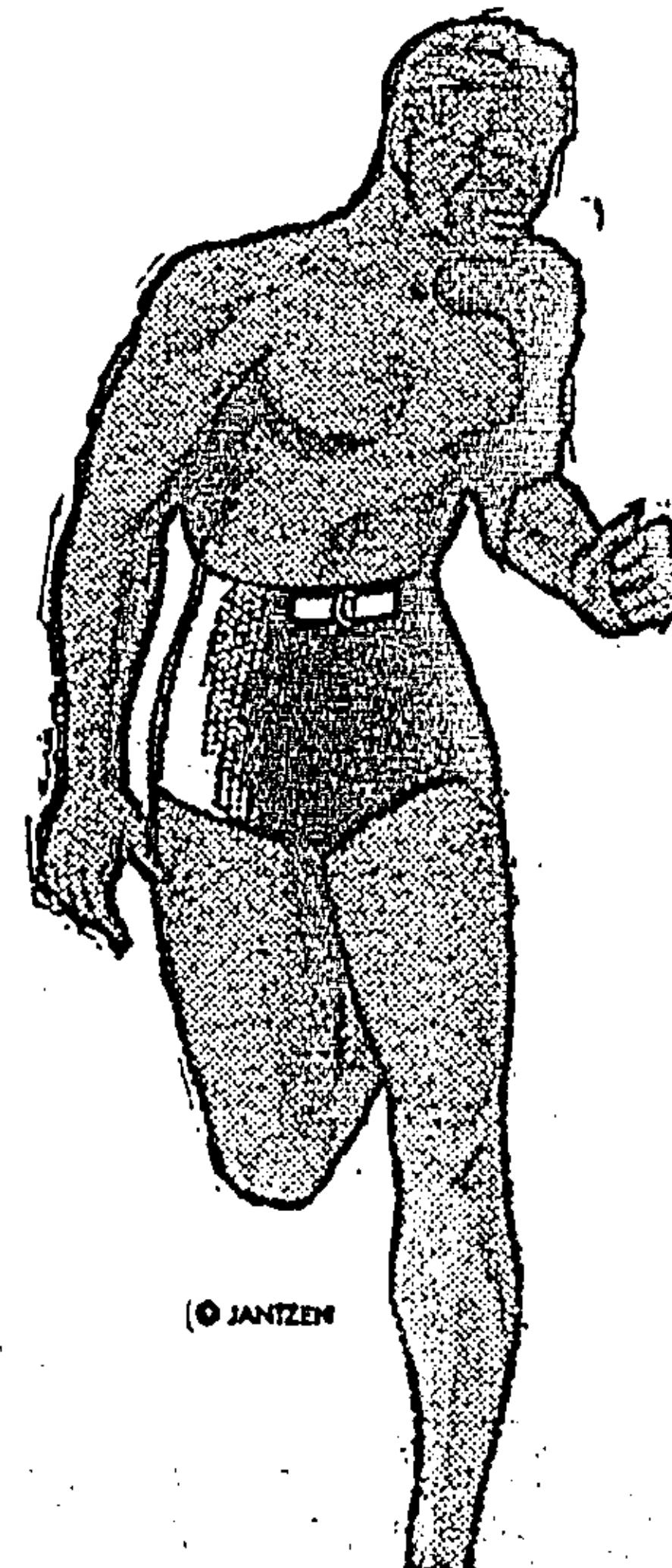
The correspondent describes the prisoners' camp constructed by the Germans to hold 50,000 prisoners, contained only 3,000 Russian fortification workers, mostly Asiatic.

The correspondent concludes that the Russian resistance was generally stubborn and even bitter.

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SOVIET CLAIMS BIG VICTORY

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units to break through to the north-east. Our troops inflicted a heavy defeat upon enemy tank troops.

In the direction of Polodsk fierce fighting continued when the enemy attempted to cross the western Dvina River. All enemy attacks were repulsed with large losses.

In the direction of Lepel, motorised units of the enemy switched over to defence following our counter-attack.

At Volynsk, mechanised units of the enemy attempted during the night to break through towards the east but all attacks were repulsed.

In Bessarabia, the enemy, having suffered great losses, was thrown back to his starting position. In the remaining directions and sectors of the front, fighting of local importance took place and reconnaissance was carried out.—British Wireless.

NO BOMBS ON BRITAIN YESTERDAY

A single enemy aircraft flew inland for a short distance over north-east England yesterday afternoon. This, says an Air Ministry communiqué, is the only hostile activity reported over this country yesterday and up to 6 pm, there were no reports of any bombs having been dropped.—Reuter.

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NAZIS REELING BACK ON THEIR OWN HEELS

JAPAN EYEING SIBERIA?

[SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL"]

The State Department in Washington is watching with mounting concern for military developments in the Far East.

The danger of an extension of the theatre of war is regarded seriously, though diplomatic quarters are unable to predict whether Japan's activities are to be interpreted as a threat to Siberia or to Indo-China and Thailand.

According to reports reaching Washington from the Far East, Japanese military moves suggest the possibility of an attack on Russia "at an opportune" moment, rather than a southward expansion drive.

There are indications that the move to the south has been called off and that Japanese military forces are being re-concentrated in Manchukuo.

Hitler Pressure

Washington diplomatic quarters assert that Hitler is bringing heavy pressure on Mr. Matsukawa in an effort to persuade Japan to launch a full-scale attack on the Russian rear in the early future.

According to these reports, the plan would be a close parallel to the pattern of the Russo-German attack on and division of Poland in September, 1939. Germany is said to be offering Japan the tempting bait of Asiatic Russia up to the Urals. — International News Service.

EXCHANGE OF PRISONERS

[SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL"]

Arrangements have been made between the United States and Germany for an exchange of "prisoners," it was announced in Washington last night.

Mr. Sumner Welles said that State Department had been discussing measures with the German Government designed to secure the release of two American newspaper correspondents.

He disclosed that the liner "America" is to transport Italian and German consular officials to Lisbon and return with the American officials.

He indicated that the proposal is to exchange Manfred Zapp and Günther Tonna, the two leading Nazi propagandists in the United States, for Richard Hetteler and

BUS AND TRAM "SEASONS" TO GO UP

The rates of season bus and tram tickets are to be increased from the beginning of next month, the "China Mail" learned from authentic sources this afternoon.

Only monthly tickets are effected. There will be no change in the ordinary fares.

Job For Colonel Donovan

[SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL"]

President Roosevelt is planning to call upon Col. William Donovan to act as "over-all-man" in assembling military and civil intelligence for national defence, and to work in close touch with British Intelligence.

The job is one directed to combine information on essential defence works and to co-relate the information of the American Navy with the British, enabling the exchange of vital information.

It is not intended that Colonel Donovan should supersede Edgar Hoover, chief of the American F.B.I. Secret Service, or the chiefs of Army and Navy Intelligence. He will be most concerned with the prevention of sabotage in United States factories. — International News Service.

SOUTH AMERICAN CONFLICT

[SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL"]

Much concern is expressed in Washington at the conflict between Peru and Ecuador, dealing a damaging blow to the programme of hemisphere solidarity. Any flare-up of the dispute, it is feared, will draw in Colombia also. It is likely that the United States will enlist the diplomatic aid of other American countries to bring about an amicable settlement. — International News Service.

Jay Allen, both of whom were arrested in Paris. — International News Service.

Red Army Forces Them To Adopt Defensive

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

THE RED ARMY HAS LAUNCHED POWERFUL COUNTER-ATTACKS AT SELECTED POINTS ALONG THE BALTIC-BLACK SEA BATTLEFRONT WHICH HAVE THROWN THE GERMANS REELING BACK UPON THEIR HEELS, ACCORDING TO THE LATEST JUBILANT ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SOVIET HIGH COMMAND.

The official communique asserts that "the German forces have been compelled to adopt the defensive along the whole of the Ostrov sector in Latvia, following a heavy defeat in a tank battle, in which the panzers were overwhelmed."

It is also claimed that German attempts to cross the Dnieper on the central front, to the south of Minsk, have been smashed and that a sudden Russian counter-attack in the Novograd-Volinsk sector has sent the Germans into retreat.

"Izvestia" alleges that parachutists have landed behind the Russian lines as far as twenty miles, intent on sabotage and the wrecking of communications. Some of them have been dressed in women's clothes and others in Russian uniforms. They are rapidly being rounded up.

THE "EXCHANGE TELEGRAPH" IN LONDON LAST NIGHT, DECLARED THAT GERMAN LOSSES IN RUSSIA HAVE BEEN DISASTROUS, AND ARE RAPIDLY MOUNTING TO NEAR THE MILLION MARK. THE AGENCY QUOTES OFFICIAL SOURCES AS GIVING THE GERMAN LOSSES IN THE FIRST TWELVE DAYS OF FIGHTING AS AN AVERAGE OF 60,000 DAILY. — INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE.

Official Communique

Following is the text of the communique the Soviet Information Board published late last night:

"During July 7, fighting took place mainly in the directions of Ostrov, Polotsk, Lepel, Bobruisk, Novograd-Volinsk and Mogilev-Podolsk. In the northern sector of the front our troops fought in the direction of Kandalakcha, Dukhta and Kexholm, inflicting losses on enemy troops which had penetrated our territory.

"In the direction of Ostrov, our troops continued to fight stubbornly against strong enemy mechanised units, containing their advance towards the north-east.

In the direction of Polotsk, fierce fighting developed against the enemy, who several times attempted to land forces on the northern bank of the western Dvina. Our troops are firmly and stubbornly holding their positions.

"Heavy fighting is taking place in the Lepel region.

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U.S. TO TAKE OVER ICELAND

Arrival Of Naval Forces In Island Announced

British Garrison To Be Replaced

THE DECISION OF THE UNITED STATES TO TAKE OVER CONTROL OF ICELAND AND TO RELEASE THE BRITISH AND CANADIAN FORCES THERE FOR SERVICE ELSEWHERE WAS OFFICIALLY REVEALED IN WASHINGTON YESTERDAY.

The announcement disclosed that American naval forces have already arrived in Iceland. For the moment, they will supplement the British forces. Gradually, they will replace them.

In a special Message to Congress, announcing the arrival of the naval force, President Roosevelt indicated that units from the United States will eventually replace the British forces stationed in Iceland.

The President said that the United States could not permit "the occupation by Germany of strategic outposts in the Atlantic to be used as air or naval bases for an eventual attack against the Western Hemisphere."

The President emphasised, however, that the United States did not desire any change of sovereignty in those regions.

Triple Threat

The German occupation of Iceland, he said, would constitute a serious threat in three dimensions, "a threat against Greenland and the northern part of the American continent and the island lying off it, a threat against all shipping in the Atlantic and a threat against the steady flow of munitions to Britain, which is a matter of broad policy clearly approved by Congress."

No indication is given of just what forces have reached Iceland or whether they will be supplemented by troops or marines.

Nor did President Roosevelt indicate whether similar action might be taken against other possible stepping off points for German action against the Western Hemisphere.

Exchange Of Letters

The Presidential Message was accompanied by the texts of letters exchanged between Mr. Roosevelt and the Prime Minister of Iceland dated July 1, and the Message was in line with the understanding reached in this exchange, that the United States Navy would go to Iceland.

The Message stated that the assurance that "strategic outposts

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT ADDED:—"AS COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF, I HAVE CONSEQUENTLY ISSUED ORDERS TO THE NAVY THAT ALL NECESSARY STEPS BE TAKEN TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF COMMUNICATIONS IN THE APPROACHES BETWEEN ICELAND AND THE UNITED STATES, AS WELL AS ON THE SEAS BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND ALL OTHER STRATEGIC OUTPOSTS.

This Government will ensure the adequate defence of Iceland with full recognition of the independence of Iceland as a sovereign state.

In his message to President Roosevelt, the Prime Minister of Iceland, Mr. Hermann Jonasson, stated that in a conversation on June 24, the British minister

explained to him that the British forces in Iceland were required elsewhere. At the same time, it was stressed that the adequate defence of Iceland was of immense importance, and President Roosevelt was prepared to send United States troops immediately to supplement and replace the British troops.

Mr. Jonasson said he was informed that President Roosevelt did not consider he should take this course except at the invitation of the Iceland Government. This invitation had accordingly been issued upon eight conditions.

Sufficient 'Planes

The Iceland Government placed special stress on there being "sufficient planes for defence

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America Gets A Surprise

Announcement of the landing of United States forces in Iceland came as a great surprise to the general public in the United States.

purposes." President Roosevelt replied that this and other conditions were "fully acceptable" to the United States and that they would be observed.

An exchange of diplomatic representatives is contemplated and President Roosevelt said he would ask Congress to agree to an arrangement to allow this exchange. In addition President Roosevelt said that he was communicating with the Governments of all other Western Hemisphere nations on the United States Government's action.

It is the announced policy of the Government of the United States. President Roosevelt told Mr. Jonasson, "to undertake to join with other nations of the Western Hemisphere in the defence of the new world against any attempt at aggression.

Eight Conditions

In the opinion of this Government, it is imperative that the integrity and independence of Iceland be preserved because of the fact that any occupation of Iceland by the power whose only too clearly apparent plans for world conquest include the domination of the peoples of the new world, would at once directly menace the security of the entire Western Hemisphere.

It is for that reason, in response to your message, that the Government of the United States will send immediately troops to supplement and eventually replace the British forces there."

Mr. Jonasson's letter laid down the following conditions:

1. The United States promises to withdraw military forces immediately on the conclusion of the present war.
2. The United States promises to recognise the "absolute independence and sovereignty of Iceland" and to use its influence at the eventual peace treaty that it will extend the same recognition.
3. The United States promises not to interfere with the Iceland Government during the occupation or afterwards.
4. The United States promises to organise a defence so as to ensure the greatest possible safety for the inhabitants with only "picked troops."
5. The United States undertakes the defence of Iceland without any expense for Iceland.
6. The United States promises to further Iceland's interests in every possible way, including supplying "necessities" and securing the necessary shipping.
7. Iceland expects any declaration by the President to be in agreement with these promises.
8. It is obvious that if the United States undertakes any defence of Iceland, "it will be strong enough to meet every eventuality, and particularly in the beginning it is expected that as far as possible an effort will be made to prevent any special danger in connection with the change-over."

Legal Status

In connection with Condition 8, Iceland stressed the need for sufficient planes and said they could be used as soon as the United States decided to undertake the defence. Mr. Jonasson said Iceland reached her decision as "an absolutely free sovereign State" and considered it "a matter of course that the United States recognise the legal status of Iceland with both states immediately exchanging diplomatic representatives. — Reuter.

TAIKOO TURNERS

Between 250 and 300 turners and fitters at Taikoo Docks resigned and demanded to be paid off over the week-end as a protest against the alleged dismissal of one of their fellow-workers.

Informed officially that the man concerned had not been dismissed but had resigned, the men persisted that he had been dismissed and requested to be allowed to resign.

The management paid the men off yesterday and immediately put up a notice at the gates stating that there were vacancies for turners and fitters.

This morning it was learned that about 80 per cent of the men who resigned had applied for jobs in the afternoon and were taken on again.

LARGE ORDERS

The war continues to bring large orders for Indian industry. During the month of May orders totalling £311,000 were placed in Bombay for items which included textiles, ammunition boxes, aeroplane hangars, camp chairs, machine tools, signalling lamps and foodstuffs. — Reuter.

BIG AND WELCOME NEWS TO GREAT BRITAIN

THE ARRIVAL OF United States Forces in Iceland was described last night by a British Foreign Office spokesman as "big and welcome news and one of the most important and significant events that has occurred for some time past."

It was, the spokesman said, a logical development of the policy President Roosevelt announced when Greenland was occupied; that policy being limitation of the intention of the United States to take every measure necessary to safeguard the western hemisphere.

The occupation means that British troops will be relieved of the commitment of the defence of Iceland and will be gradually, by stages, withdrawn from Iceland. For the time being there will be both British and American troops in Iceland.

The British Government was kept fully informed beforehand. Iceland's sovereignty will remain complete and the evacuation by the United States Forces will take place immediately on the conclusion of the war.

There will be arrangements for compensation for any damage that may be done and there will be no interference with local affairs, while the economic interests of Iceland will be safeguarded and measures taken for transport for the conveyance of food and other necessities between Iceland and the United States.

With Consent

There will also be an exchange of diplomatic representatives between Iceland and the United States. — Reuter.

The British Minister, Mr. Charles Howard Smith, who went to Iceland, when we took over its protection will remain there.

The spokesman added: "What has happened is that the Americans in continuation of their policy of hemispheric defence as announced by President Roosevelt, at the time America took over the protection of Greenland, has now extended that principle and is taking over, too, with the consent of the authorities in Iceland, the defence of Iceland."

Secondary Virtue

The action was described as a practical manifestation of American realisation of the Nazi threat to the Democracies generally and desire to attain world domination. It has a secondary virtue from the viewpoint of Great Britain in that it relieves us of a commitment in the western hemisphere at a time when German aggression is imposing increasing and fresh obligations on the British Government. — Reuter.

More Earnest American Aid For China Recommended

CHIANG KAI-SHEK'S MESSAGE

Latest international developments reveal that the crimes and designs of the aggressors also increase the strength and the collaboration of those who oppose them, declared Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, in a statement addressed to the Chinese Army and people in which he expressed confidence that "the collapse of Japan and her puppets will coincide with the collapse of the Axis Powers."

Generalissimo Chiang appealed to the Chinese Army and people to redouble their efforts to prepare for a counter-offensive, emphasising the need for national unity and increased fighting strength.

Starting Point

Generalissimo Chiang emphasised that Asia was the starting point of the fire which is spreading over the world.

In drawing attention to the large populations and rice resources of Asia, Generalissimo Chiang urged the Democracies "to make a revolutionary change in their attitude regarding the Pacific Ocean which is as important to Europe as the Atlantic."

Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek expressed gratitude for the assistance given by Britain, the United States and Soviet Russia to the Chinese people. He added the hope that there would be closer cooperation between the four countries as "the aim is the same for all four of us."

Referring to a possible move of the Japanese, Generalissimo Chiang gave warning that the aggressors were both opportunists and adventurers, and, therefore, capable of sudden unpredictable actions.—Reuter.

"FLEECE AND FLIT" PARTIES

Fleece-and-Flit gambling parties are causing anxiety to the War Office and the Service authorities. In all parts of Mayfair and the West End of London luxurious flats and houses are being hired for one night only—after which the organisers become difficult to trace.

A large number of the victims are officers on leave—particularly those from the Dominions, Allied countries, and the provinces.

Scouts are sent to hotels and clubs to "rope in" any well-purposed "probables" they find.

The police recently raided so many gambling dens that it became over-risky to run "parties" in the same place for more than one night.

Some Mayfair mansions were rented for longer periods. But men were sent in who got sufficient evidence for a conviction and then opened the doors to uniformed police.

But it is easier than ever before to find "suitable premises" for single nights, because so many flats and houses have been evacuated.

Some agents, at their wits' ends to find tenants, are only too willing to let a flat for a night to a man "about to be called up" wanting to give a farewell party to his friends—and willing to pay an unusually high price for the privilege.

By the time the "lamps" are brought to the fleecing the flat has

Mr. McNutt On Far East Situation

AMERICA'S STAKE in Asia is "far too real" to be abandoned in order to appease the political machine now happening to be in power in Tokyo, declared Mr. Paul McNutt, Federal Security Administrator, and formerly High Commissioner of the Philippines, addressing the Chinese community in Washington, on the occasion of the fourth anniversary of the outbreak of the Sino-Japanese hostilities.

A Russian defeat might result in outright Japanese-Axis military collaboration.

The United States and China must act to prevent the "unification of the totalitarian battle-front" across all of Europe and Asia.

"THE TIME HAS COME TO ACT, AND CHINA AND AMERICA MUST EACH SHOULDER A FAIR SHARE OF THE BURDEN IN PUTTING DOWN THIS 'OLD DISORDER' WHICH SEEKS TO SUBJUGATE THE FREE PEOPLES OF THE WORLD."

"Any nation teaming up, like Japan, with the Axis threat must do so expecting to shoulder all the consequences of her actions. That comment is more than a generality."

Chinese Victory

Certainly, "the United States should not permit the reef of islands from Kamchatka to Borneo to stand as military or naval barriers between the United States and the continent of Asia. In unfriendly hands such barriers would block forever trade with China and the Dutch East Indies."

FOUR-SQUARE AGAINST HITLERISM

Great Britain, the United States, the Soviet Union and China, with other liberty-loving nations, constitute a world-wide front against aggression, declared Mr. Wellington Koo, the Chinese Ambassador, at a London meeting yesterday of the China Campaign Committee.

"Alliance or no alliance," he added, "the victory or defeat of one will have an immediate and far-reaching effect upon the others. The closer their collaboration, the surer and sooner will be their final victory."

China believed with greater conviction than ever that the world order of peace and security could only be built on the principles of collective security and mutual aid.

After four years of war, Japan has been stalemated with a million of her soldiers bogged down in China.—Reuter.

been stocked with food, wine, and gambling tables.

Even those visitors who manage to win—and they are a minority

—pay back to the promoters a

large part in percentages, and for

food and wine.

CHINA READY FOR FOUR OR 14 MORE YEARS

"China is fully prepared to continue the war for four or 14 more years if necessary in order to win the final victory," declared Dr. Quo Tai-chi, China's Foreign Minister, in a broadcast to America from Chungking yesterday. —Reuter.

MORE PEOPLE ARE WEARING GLASSES

The black-out and factory lighting conditions are responsible for a boom in the optical trade.

A member of the British Optical Association says that more people are wearing glasses to-day than before the war.

"The chief reason is that more people are working in artificial light which in some cases is very poor."

"A good many of these are men beyond the age of 40, which is the age when, as a rule, they need glasses for close work."

"Many of them, previously engaged in outdoor occupations and now doing work under black-out conditions, have suffered from eye strain and have had to wear glasses to correct it."

"From my experience more women than men are wearing glasses to-day. The women are not shy about wearing spectacles as once they were. Many of them, of course, are spending a good deal of time knitting comforts for the Services, often in artificial light."

"We find some difficulty in obtaining frames, and in a short time we shall not be able to supply frames in the same variety as before."

JAPANESE WAR MINISTER'S WARNING

IN A STATEMENT in Tokyo yesterday, the fourth anniversary of the outbreak of the Sino-Japanese hostilities, the War Minister, General Tojo, urged the people to renew their efforts for liquidating the China Affair as early as possible and to be prepared, at the same time, against any eventuality which might occur as a result of the European war.

Japan's objectives in maintaining the peace and security of China as well as creating a New Order in East Asia was gradually being realised, added the War Minister.

He warned, however, that Japan must depend on herself in meeting any crisis in the future.

All the metropolitan papers featured editorials dealing with the significance of Japan's completing four years of hostilities in China.

"Japan has weathered the storm."

"The position the country finds itself in at the end of the

fourth year is a proof of national efficiency and ability," says the "Japan Times and Advertiser," reputed organ of the Foreign Office.

The journal claimed: "Japan in spite of a four years' war with all its damage and strain, to-day is

very much stronger and more

productive than four years ago."

—Reuter.

Japan's Knightly Way

The "Manchester Guardian," in a leading article yesterday, said that four years ago, Japan, calling it an Incident, started against China a war which she was now unable to end.

Her victories glitter with returning generals' triumphs, but hundreds of thousands of Japanese have been killed or maimed. Privations have grown, but the Chinese people's spirit remains unbroken.

China has endured from her great inner strength. She has the patience that "gazes on kings' graves," and communists and Government are still united against the invader.

She is rebuilding, in the West, the economy which Japan's "knightly way" had literally shattered.

For four years too little has been appreciated, too little help has been given. China who has been fighting the battle of this country, and those with us in the war.

As much as any she deserves our help. As much as any she must be with us at and after the peace.—Reuter.

JULY 7 RAID ON CHUNGKING

Chungking's observance of the fourth anniversary of the outbreak of the Sino-Japanese hostilities was interrupted yesterday morning by a raid by 27 Japanese aircraft which heavily bombed the western suburbs.

The main target was the much-bombed Press Hostel compound.

Several big bombs landed in the vicinity of the Hostel where foreign correspondents were staying.

Chungking was besieged. All Government offices worked as usual while amusement places, contrary to previous years, remained open but presented programmes.

This raid followed one on Sunday evening in which 23 planes attacked in three waves concentrating on the compound of the Press Hostel.—Reuter.

NEW U.S. NAVAL APPROPRIATION

The Navy Department in Washington yesterday asked Congress to appropriate an additional U.S.\$585,000,000 to augment its ship-building programme, of which U.S.\$100,000,000 will be for increased repairing facilities.—Reuter.

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GREATEST BATTLE IN WORLD'S HISTORY BEING FOUGHT

(By Reuter's Military Correspondent)

LATEST NEWS FROM THE RUSSO-GERMAN FRONT IS FAVOURABLE TO THE RUSSIANS, THOUGH THAT DOES NOT MEAN THAT THE BATTLE HAS YET BEEN WON.

This is, perhaps, the most decisive battle in the world's history and it is the greatest in breadth of front, the numbers engaged and the weight of equipment employed.

The fate of Russia is not the only question now being decided, but the fate of every nation in the world, not excepting those on the American continent.

Hilter seeks world domination, with all peoples the slaves of the 80,000,000 Germans. Every plane, gun, modern device and every man which can be concentrated to ensure rapidity and destruction is being thrown into the struggle energetically and ruthlessly by the Nazi General Staff.

Fortunately, for the Russians and for the Allies, Russian military doctrine is also based upon total war.

Russian Masses

It is now evident that Russian preparations have been on a great scale and that they have not failed to note that efficiency in planes, tanks and artillery are not in themselves sufficient to ensure victory against great masses; numbers are also required.

The Russians are now bringing up their own masses of well-equipped troops into action.

Moreover, it is apparent that they recognise that the modern idea of "defence in depth" does not merely mean a number of fortified posts and forts scattered in however deep a belt and purely static in action.

To-day's Tactics

On the contrary, the offensive of to-day — the breakthrough by powerful motorised columns followed by large numbers of troops who will then develop the matter of encirclements — can only be met by equally powerful and large masses in reserve.

IN THE END, YOU COME TO A DECISION BEING SOUGHT AND GAINED IN AN ENCOUNTER BATTLE WHERE THE OFFENSIVE SPIRIT, EMPLOYING STRONG FORCES OF ARTILLERY, TANKS AND PLANES IS THE GUIDE TO VICTORY.

These principles, the Russians seem to be putting into resolute action.

Looking at the battlefield in more detail, and starting from the north, it seems that the Germans have captured neither Murmansk nor the railway to the south, though they claimed to have done so several days ago. The attack further south, on the Karelian Isthmus has not advanced at all and does not seem to be heavily pressed.—Reuter.

PERUVIAN-ECUADOR CONFLICT

MR. SUMNER WELLES, AT A PRESS CONFERENCE IN WASHINGTON YESTERDAY, SAID HE WAS SURE THE UNITED STATES AND ALL OTHER AMERICAN REPUBLICS WERE ANXIOUS TO HELP TO HALT THE PERU-ECUADOR HOSTILITIES.

Asked whether the United States Government had received any reports indicating "out de influences" provoking the Peru-Ecuadorian clashes, Mr. Sumner Welles replied quoting the old Spanish proverb: "Very often in muddy waters fishing is good."

He said that things of this kind were a matter of profound regret to the United States Government.—Reuter.

NO BOMBS ON BRITAIN YESTERDAY

A single enemy aircraft flew inland for a short distance over north-east England yesterday afternoon. This, says an Air Ministry communiqué, is the only hostile activity reported over this country yesterday and up to 6 p.m. there were no reports of any bombs having been dropped.—Reuter.

SHIPPING PROBLEM CLEARED UP

Conversations have taken place between British and United States officials in Washington on the question of enemy ships now sheltering in the United States ports.

The British Embassy has now been authorised to issue a statement to the effect that in connection with the recent agreement for the employment of Danish ships in United States ports, the British Government has consented, in respect of these ships, to waive their rights as a belligerent to refuse to recognise the transfer of enemy merchant ship to a neutral flag, unless they first satisfy themselves in regard to the validity of the transfer.

The statement adds that the principal reason hitherto for the immobilisation of these ships had been the fact that the British Government felt unable to waive these rights, to the maintenance of which they attach the greatest importance. They are, however, now satisfied and gratefully recognise that the use to which these ships are to be put will contribute directly or indirectly to the war effort of the democracies.—Reuter.

SELF PROTECTION!

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

WONG TSUNG-DING, CHIEF OF THE NANKING SPONSORED "SELF-PROTECTION CORPS" PROTECTED HIMSELF AGAINST A CREDITOR TO WHOM HE OWED \$2,115 BY SHOOTING HIM IN THE CHEST!

Brought before the Court, Wong said he had been annoyed by letters sent him by Woo Soong-cho, his creditor, through the latter's lawyers. Wong is now in custody while his creditor is in hospital.—International News Service.

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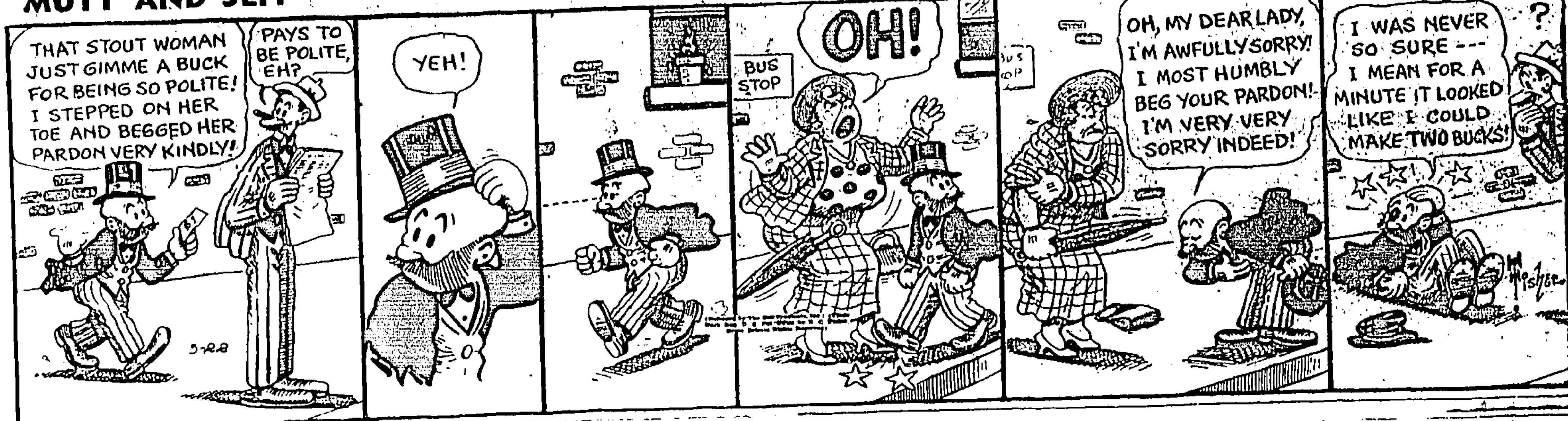
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EMPIRE'S CHOICE

MR. HERBERT MORRISON, THE HOME SECRETARY, EXPLAINING THE CHOICE FACING THE BRITISH EMPIRE IN THIS WAR, SAID: "IT WAS EITHER MEANT TO CONTINUE OUR SACRIFICE AND DETERMINATION TO WIN OR TO SURRENDER, WHICH WOULD MEAN SPIRITUAL DEATH."

If there was anyone who wanted to believe in Hitler's words, the invasion of Russia proved to him how much that word was to be trusted.

Mr. Morrison concluded: There is no room for compromise and that there is no room for dealing with a man who could not and never would be trusted. — Reuter.

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ENEMY SHIPS BLASTED AT PALERMO

A PARTICULARLY successful attack on enemy shipping by the Royal Air Force on Sunday in the harbour at Palermo was announced in yesterday's R.A.F. Middle East communiqué.

Heavy damage was inflicted on several vessels. Eight thousand tons ships were hit by two bombs and hits were also made on shipping of 5,000 and 2,000 tons.

A ship of 1,000 tons set on fire by three bombs emitted clouds of black smoke accompanied by explosions.

Another ship of 5,000 tons was hit by incendiary bombs.

In Syria, R.A.F. bomber and fighter aircraft continue active support of the operations of the ground forces.

Aleppo Attack

On Sunday night the Aleppo aerodrome was successfully attacked. Bombs fell on the runways and hangars causing several fires and explosions.

The same aerodrome was attacked several times during the previous night. During Sunday night's attack three aircraft were set on fire on the ground and a number of others damaged or destroyed by incendiaries and machine-gunning.

Beirut was also attacked on Sunday night. Bombs were seen to fall near the barracks and railway sidings. Several targets in the neighbourhood of Damour were also attacked, big bombs straddling a bridge and gun battery.

British fighters again attacked Vichy shipping in the harbour of Aoud.

Benghazi Again

Libya: In Cyrenaica during the night of Saturday and Sunday raids were made on docks and shipping at Benghazi. Bombs fell on the moles, among railway sidings and in a motor transport park and a number of fires were started.

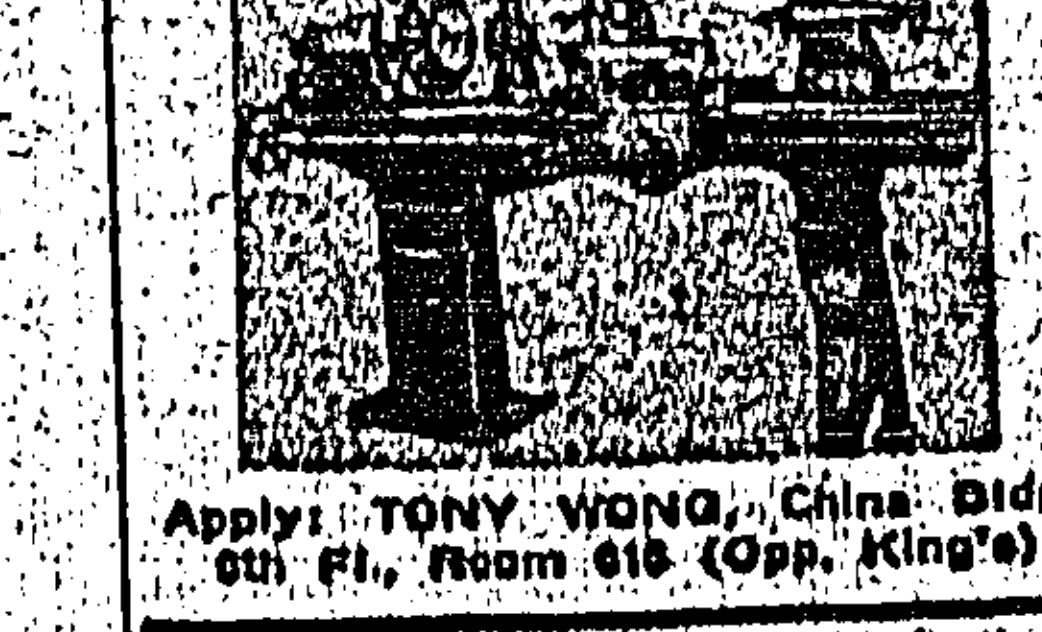
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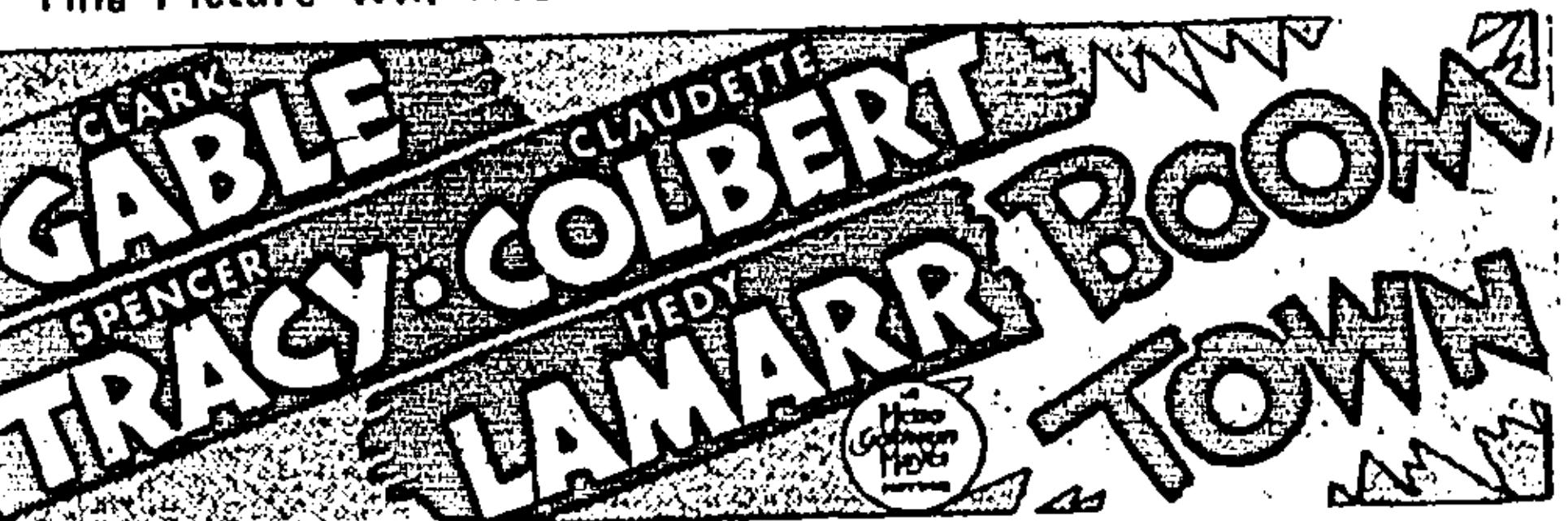


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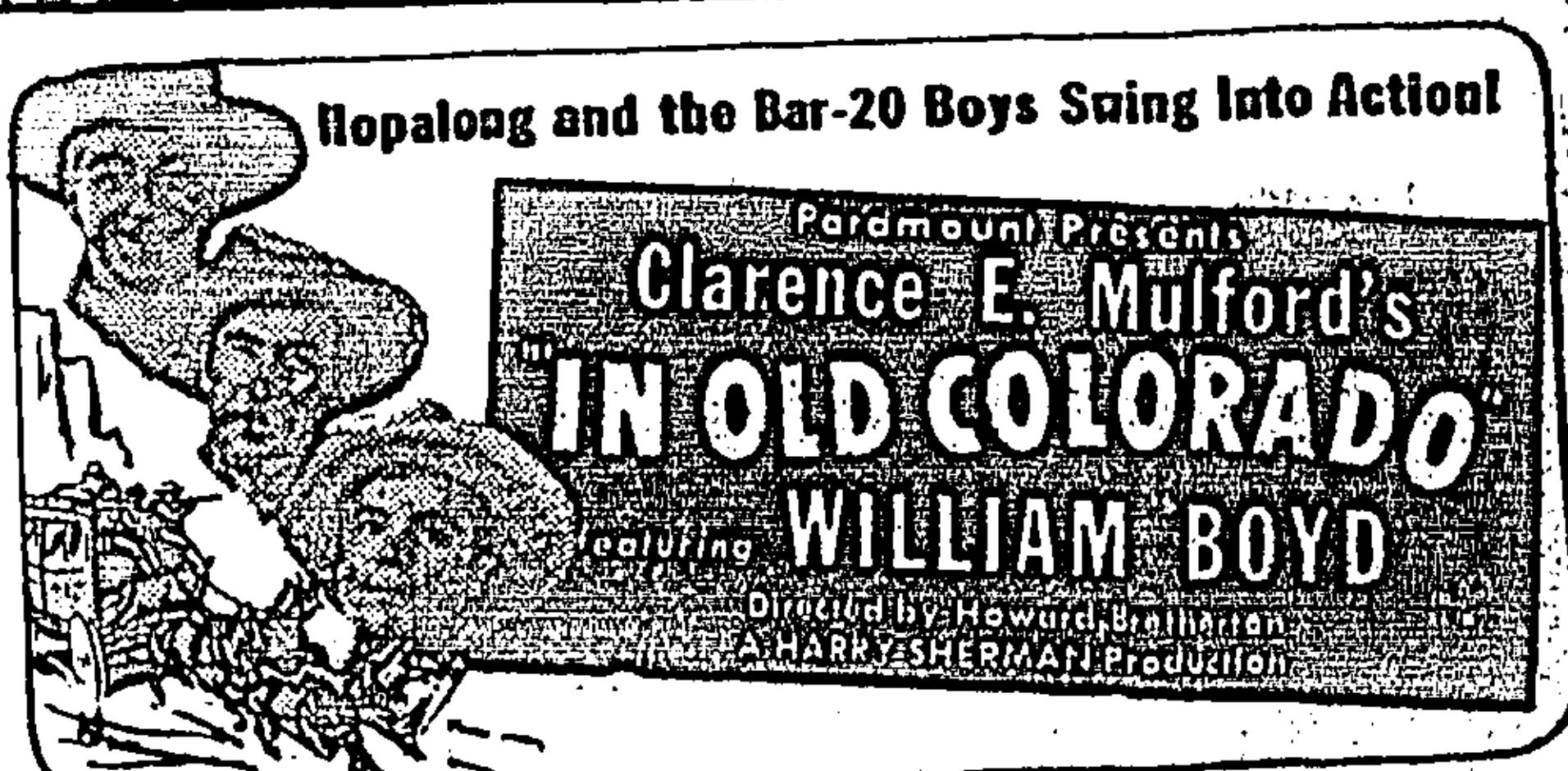


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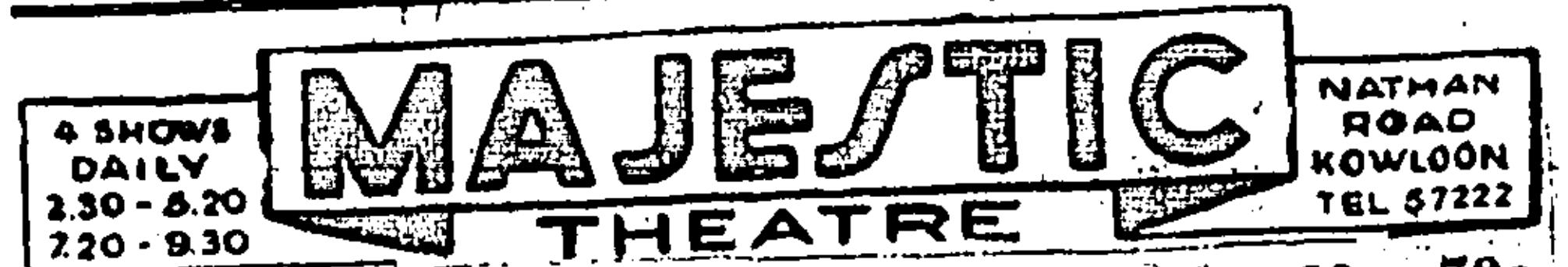
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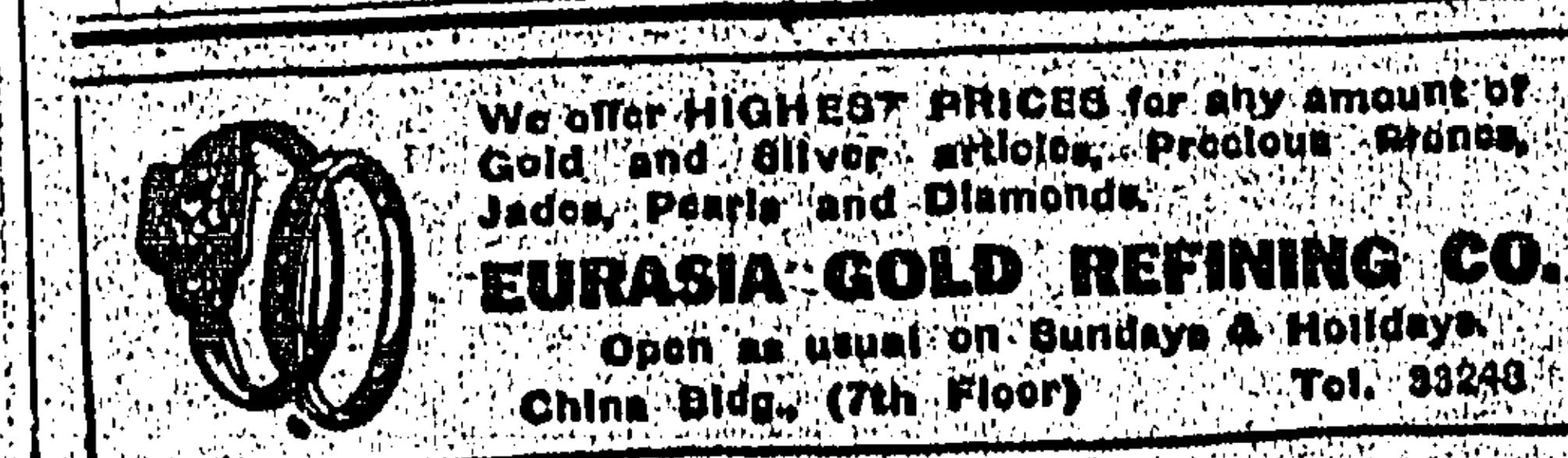


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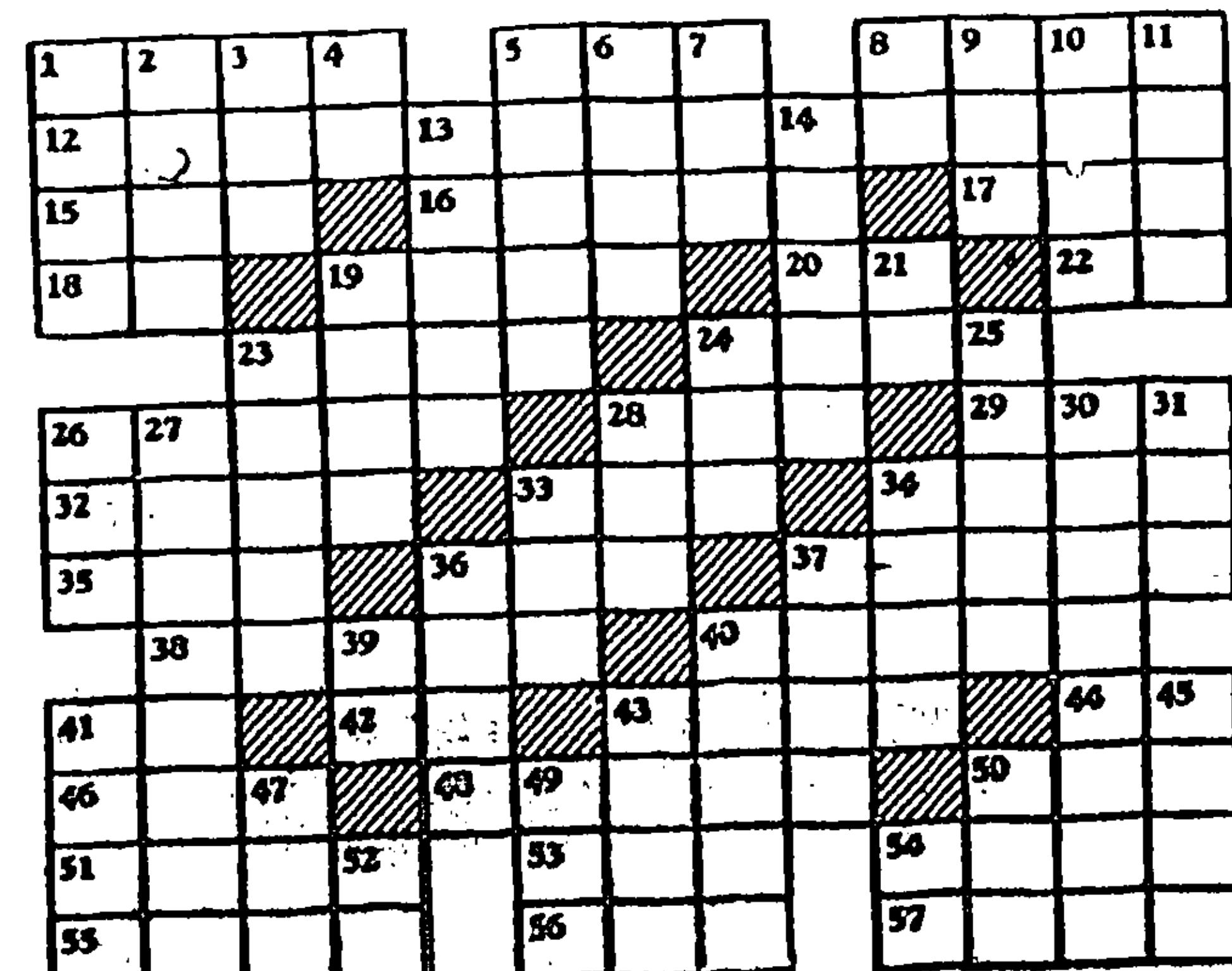
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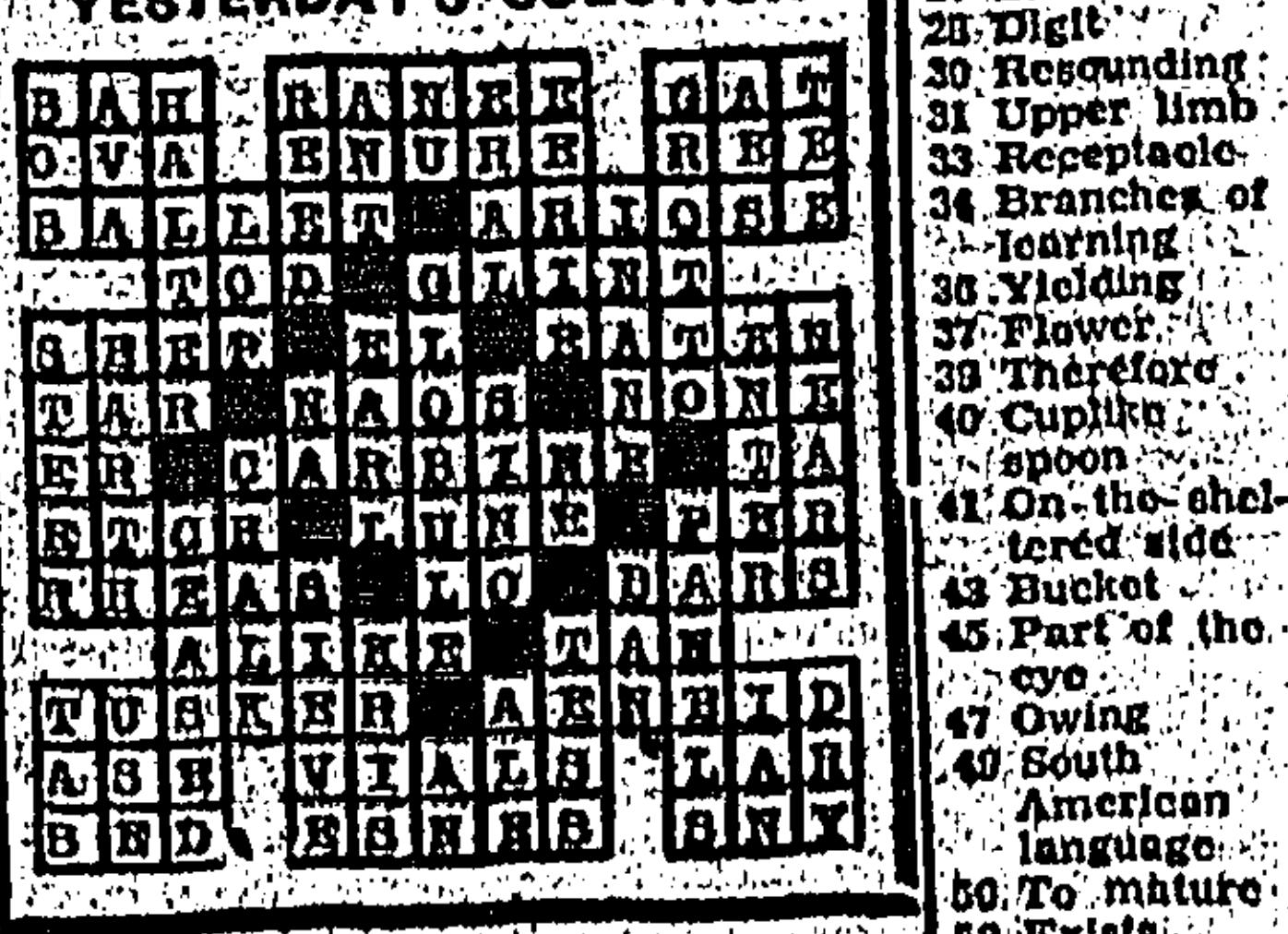
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8 monkey
12 Continent
13 To get a
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15 Type mea-
sure (pl.)
16 Chances
17 Greek letter
18 Symbol for
sodium
19 Location
20 Note of scrip
22 Sacred Hun-
du-word
23 Wild plum
24 Bequeathed
25 Foreign
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VERTICAL

- 1 So be it
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amalgam
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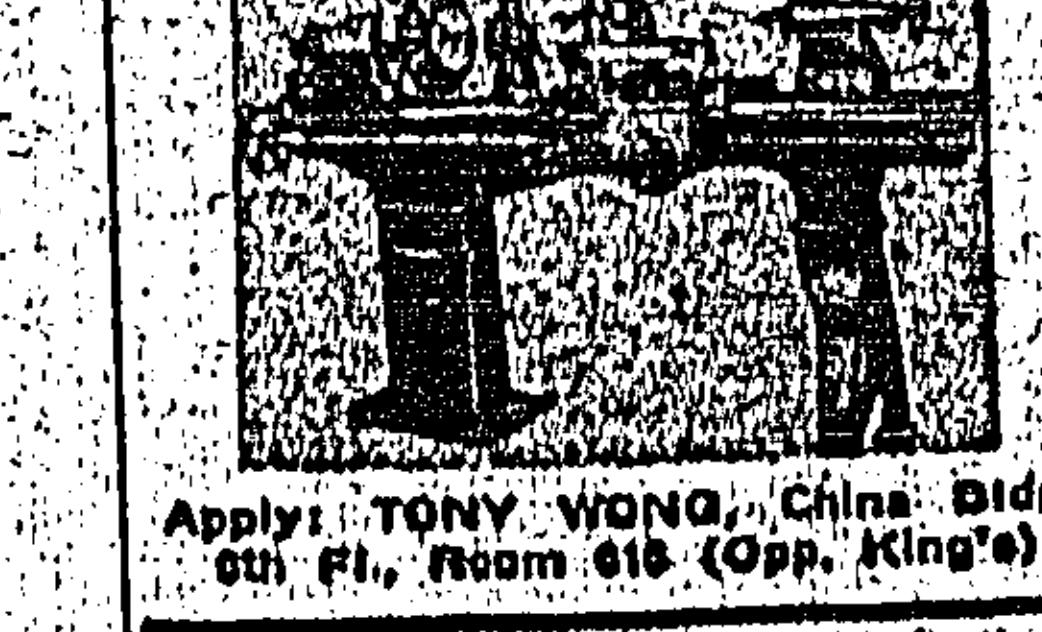
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NOT A STRAIGHT LINE BUT A ZIGZAG

THE RUSSO-GERMAN FRONT IS NOT A STRAIGHT LINE, BUT A WIDE ZIGZAG IN WHICH MOBILE FORCES WERE OPERATING, SAID M. LOZOVSKY, CHIEF OF THE RUSSIAN INFORMATION BUREAU, WHEN QUESTIONED BY JOURNALISTS ON THE MILITARY SITUATION.

Whenever any German unit stopped, he added, it was immediately counter-attacked and he quoted an incident in which a column of German tanks, halted by lack of fuel, was swiftly set upon by the Russians, throwing petrol. Many of the tanks were completely destroyed.

M. Lozovsky claimed that the German losses were much greater in the first fortnight on the present campaign than in the previous 22 war months.

The Germans, he said, had admitted casualties, before the invasion of Russia, amounting to 300,000, while British official quarters estimated them at 900,000.

M. Lozovsky added that the Russians, in 12 days, inflicted 700,000 casualties and these were mounting daily as the battle was proving fierce.

Comparative Figures

The British estimate, he said, that in 22 months, the Germans lost 4,500 planes and 2,000 tanks. The Russians claim that in eight days they destroyed 1,500 planes and 2,500 tanks.

He said he was unable to disclose the Russian casualties or the number of troops mobilised. It is understood that the heavily wounded are being brought to Moscow for complicated operations and that the lighter casualties are going farther inland.

M. Lozovsky said that Russia has three times the number of men possessed by Germany. — Reuter.

HER TROUSERS INFURIATE HIM

Because he considered his stepdaughter, 19, should not wear trousers, John Coutts Yendall, of Myrtle Road, Exeter, quarrelled with his wife and refused to pay her £1 a week maintenance.

He was sent to prison for a month for being £4 3s. 6d. in arrears.

The Mayor pointed out to Yendall that bus conductresses wear trousers.

Yendall: But are they out at night until eleven o'clock?

The Mayor: Yes, they are.

The magistrate added that his daughter had been out until 2.30 that morning wearing trousers.

Yendall: But did your wife have to go down and fetch her in from an Air Force man?

The Clerk: That is not a good reason for refusing to maintain your wife.

TOBACCO FACTORY DISPUTE

[SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL"]
A CROWD OF 150 WOMEN PARADED BEFORE THE FOO SHING TOBACCO FACTORY IN SHANGHAI YESTERDAY AND DEMANDED REINSTATEMENT.

They flung buckets of ordure at a cordon of police attempting to disperse the demonstration.

The plant management is gloomy regarding the settlement of the week-old strike, saying that it was "impossible to reason with the women after they had made their demands." — International News Service.

VITAL BEIRUT BATTLE

The vital battle for Beirut involving possession of Vichy's key port on the Lebanese coast is focussing all attention in Jerusalem.

Authoritative military circles point out that with the capture of Beirut, the Vichyites would lose not only their most valuable port but also the main bastion of their defence in the west.

The area under Vichy control is steadily shrinking daily and many in Jerusalem opine the fall of Beirut might well have a decisive effect on the campaign.

TALK OF AN ARMISTICE

That the Syrian campaign has entered the final stage is the opinion of observers in Ankara who would not be surprised if an armistice is signed within a week.

An exchange of views is reported to have taken place in Syria and elsewhere with the aim of seeking a settlement to avoid further bloodshed.

Nothing is known in London of this report.—Reuter.

Damour Fighting

A Cairo G.H.Q. communiqué states: British mechanised troops are continuing their advance towards Horns. In the central sector an important position north of Jezzine has been captured by British forces.

On the coast, Australian troops have crossed the River Damour and are now in contact with the main Vichy positions about the town of the same name. — British Wireless.

GUERRILLAS KEEP IT UP

[SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL"]

FOLLOWING THE RAILWAY BLAST IN THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF SHANGHAI YESTERDAY MORNING, GUERRILLAS MARKED THE WAR ANNIVERSARY AGAIN LAST NIGHT BY THROWING BOMBS NEAR THE JAPANESE GENDARMERIE HEADQUARTERS, IN THE NATIVE CITY OF NANTAO, NEXT TO THE FRENCH CONCESSION.

Other guerrilla activity in Nantao is reported as Japanese search

pedestrians and vehicles, but details are not immediately available, since the Nantao gates are clamped shut by the Japanese and even telephone communications have been suspended.—International News Service.

SEVEN MORE DANISH SHIPS REQUISITIONED

The U.S. Maritime Commission announced yesterday the requisitioning of seven more Danish cargo ships and their assignment to United States operators for use in the Pacific trade.

Eight Danish ships previously had been requisitioned. — Reuter.

MENZIES' BUDGET PROBLEM

The Commonwealth Government, headed by Mr. Menzies, may face difficulties in the forthcoming budget session, says a message from Canberra.

The proposed Budget is believed to contain sufficiently contentious matters to provoke Labour hostility and the three Government defeats on minor issues in the House of Representatives last week are interpreted as pointing to the weakness in the Government position, despite the statement of Mr. Curtin, the Labour leader, that Mr. Menzies and he are concentrating only on strengthening Australian defences and denying the possibility of an early election.

There is talk in some quarters of looking for a good election issue. In New South Wales, where Labour parliamentary influence is strongest, it is suggested that Labour would take office under Mr. Curtin as Prime Minister without an election. Unions are showing increasing anxiety that Labour should take action against the Government and are bringing increasing pressure to bear on their parliamentary leaders, but no crisis is in any case likely before Parliament meets, probably late in August.—Reuter.

SEVEN BURIED IN LANDSLIDE

A serious landslide occurred this morning near the junction of Argyle Street and Prince Edward Road, at the site of the old Victoria Home.

Seventeen coolies were engaged in excavation work on the site when a huge rock came down bringing down some hundreds of tons of earth.

Ten of the coolies escaped but seven were buried under the avalanche. The Fire Brigade later rescued four seriously injured, and sent them to hospital, and two bodies were recovered. The crash occurred at about 8.15 a.m., soon after work had begun.

The seventh victim was dug out at 11.30 a.m. but was beyond medical aid.

BURIAL URNS STOLEN

Charged with stealing three earthenware burial urns from Homuntin Cemetery, Lo Cheung, 40, was sentenced to seven months' hard labour by Mr. H. C. Macnamara at Kowloon this morning.

Accused was arrested by sanitary coolies yesterday morning when leaving the Cemetery with one urn.

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WINDSOR HOUSE

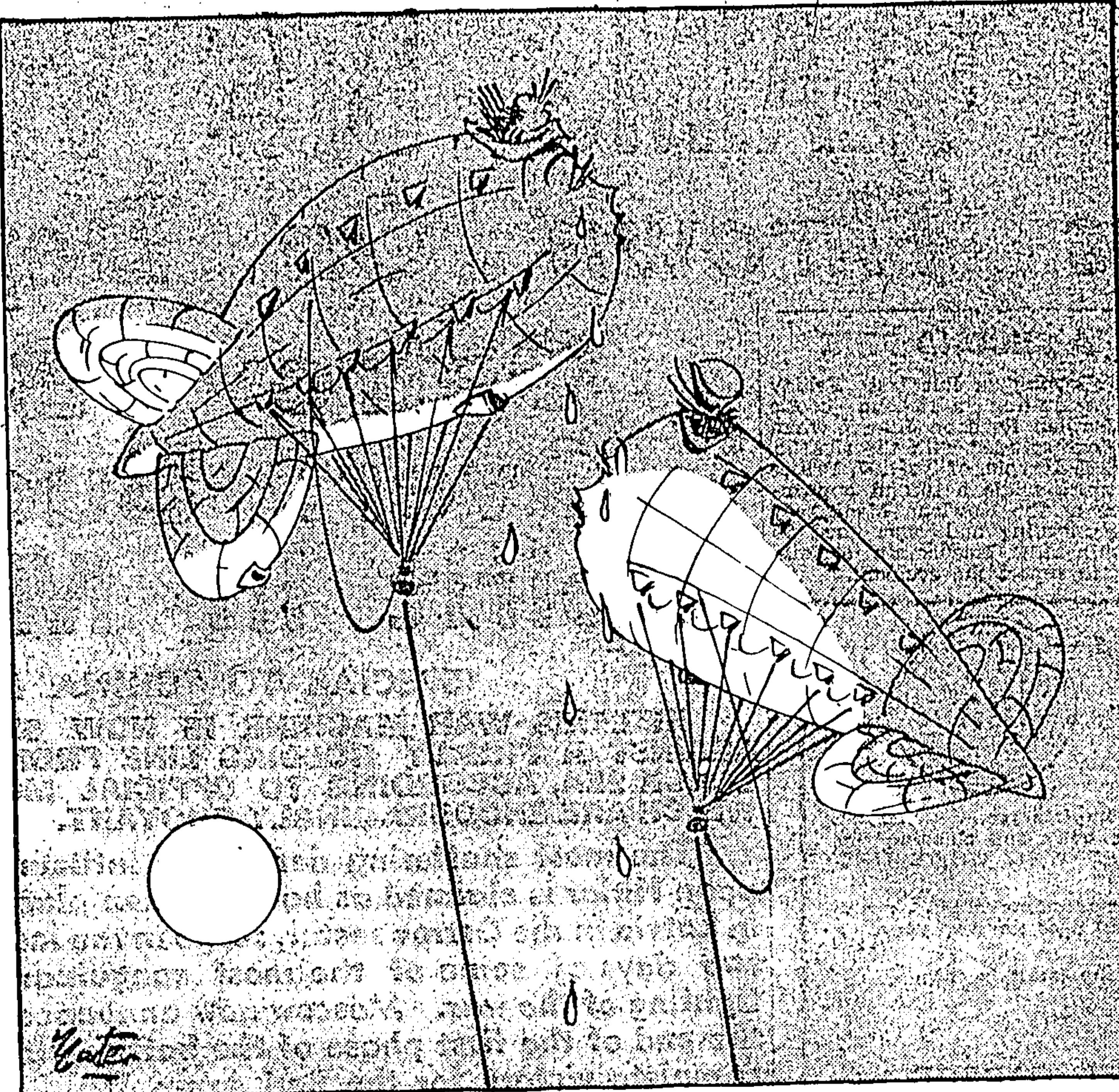
THE DEMOCRATIC PEACE

If the dangerous idea still lingers anywhere in bomb-torn Britain that it might one day be possible to make with the German Army the peace which cannot be made with Hitlerism, Mr. Anthony Eden does not share it. If the illusion persists that Britain can weaken the Nazis' hold over the German people by promises of future leniency, the Foreign Minister's latest version of British "peace aims" gives it little support. He is rather more emphatic than any previous spokesman in his declaration that British peace terms "will be designed to prevent a repetition of Germany's misdeeds"; that Germany is "the worst master Europe has yet known" and must "never be in a position" to violate European peace again. It is not Hitler of whom he speaks, but Germany. The words foreclose any fictitious peace of appeasement with an unbroken German military power, by whatever name it might be called; they give no guarantees to the Germans and imply a total victory, or defeat.

Nothing else is possible to-day, and it is useless to dream of any easier exit from the immeasurable savagery which Hitlerism has forced upon the world. Either Germany must make the future or the democracies, and whichever wins the right to do so, the other must and will be put beyond the power of forcibly overthrowing the structure. The issue has passed beyond promises of leniency to the vanquished power; the only promises that can now be made are promises of the kind of future which the victory of one side or the other will hold out to all the peoples. There Mr. Eden places the possibilities of a British victory beside those offered by the totalitarians. Where Hitlerism is driven imperiously to ravage everything within its reach, "it is obvious that we have no motive of self-interest prompting us to economic exploitation of Germany or of the rest of Europe." Where Hitlerism carries privation wherever it goes, a British victory will immediately open up to Germans and to all Europeans the mounting stores of the British Commonwealth and the Americas. It is to the British interest to restore political and spiritual freedom, to restore a fruitful international exchange of goods, to avert the starvation and want into which such vast areas of the world are so rapidly sinking and must continue to sink under a Hitler empire. And these are Britain's peace aims, and what the world — Germans, as well as Englishmen or Greeks or Americans or Japanese — may expect of a British victory.

They are not precise; it is doubtful if any plans for the future could be drawn with precision now. But they are very great aims. What Mr. Eden fails to do, as other British spokesmen have failed, is to make them glow with the tremendous possibilities latent in them. He gives them a dull, a negative, and almost apologetic cast. He promises that Britain will not repeat the economic follies of the years after 1918, will not return to the politico-social chaos of the pre-war world. He does not show how, dead that system already is in Britain, how great are the real creative powers of democracy, not just to refrain from past errors, but to strike out for new political and social inventions. Mr. Eden does not show it; democracy as a whole, placidly sure of itself, has failed to show it to the world.

These are great aims, all the greater because they are not embodied in a precise plan to be dictated to humbly but are a challenge and an invitation to all peoples to collaborate in their realization. Democracy has peace aims — far more, it has peace possibilities — which now, already, are dazzling beside the tinsel with



"We are fading I think, My Gertie!"
"Why?"
"Well, we aren't attracting the blitz boys any more."

Wanted A Fresh Air Plan

SEVERAL weeks ago a Nazi bomb destroyed three houses a hundred yards from my door.

At first, as I passed them, what I felt was a blend of anger and pity. Three homes lay in brutal confusion — books and beading toys and bricks.

On the top of the heap was a page torn from Mr. Wells's "Outline of History." From under his bushy brows Neanderthal man surveyed our civilisation.

Gradually the wreckage was cleared, and now I pass the gap with a disposition to thank that unknown enemy. He let in light and air, and he set me planning.

I realised more sharply than ever I had done before what abject victims we all are to property and tradition.

Many wise men have been busy in drafting a new version of the rights of man. If I had to do it I know what right I should put first — the right to fresh air and sunlight, the right to a long vista of space, the right to see green grass and trees.

We are pitiful slaves if we allow the landlords and the lawyers to rob us of these things.

We have all been reflecting in this style since the bombs began to fall. I defy anyone, even Colonel Blimp, to visit the devastated area round the docks without wanting to sweep away this squalor built by greed.

We all realise that if these mean two-storeyed streets gave way to

buildings even four-storeys high we could devote half the space they cover to lawns and flowerbeds; if we built them eight or twelve storeys high, every docker might live in a park.

Shall we do it? Some of us are brave enough to plan the future city so.

We have all been congratulating first of all the architect, and then the City Council of Coventry, because they have had the courage and intelligence to sweep away the entire wreckage of

which the Nazi propagandists have

successfully bemused so many

minds. It is not more precise

blueprints which democracy now

requires. It is the energy and

confidence to propagate throughout the world, by every means of

modern communication, by every

appeal to the imagination and

the enthusiasm of men; the im-

mense promise which it now

carries.

chaotic past and plan anew with modern notions of health and transport.

So long as it is towns we have to plan, our Labour Movement has sound instincts. In one sense, too, it cares about the country. Even round London, before it is too late, we may save as our play-

ground the Chiltern woods and the Surrey hills. The country as a park in which we may walk on a Sunday is an idea we have grasped.

I think we may trust Arthur Greenwood to remember this in his planning.

But is that all we mean by the countryside?

If such notions govern our planning, we shall destroy our island and falsify our history.

Land is earth into which men drive the spade and the plough. Land is first of all the soil in which grass and wheat and potatoes spread their roots. Land is food, but, above all, land is labour.

Do not let the Book of Genesis mislead you. Round every farm and in every villager's garden man is the creator who made the dry land.

Have you ever asked how the black earth round some venerable thatched cottage got its colour? Generations of peasants made it through the centuries.

Patiently, every winter, they forked into it the dung and the wood ashes that gave it fertility; their hoes let in the air and the frosts broke up what they had loosened.

In some regions of England man has been making the soil for three or four thousand years. From our farmers' photographs the archaeologists can tell us how the ancient Britons drove their ploughs at first round little square fields and afterwards, over long strips.

Century by century, those ancestors of ours, a handful of men in a wilderness, drained the swamps, tamed the forests, and ploughed in the rough grass.

Wealth: what is wealth? The

townsman thinks it is money

you can make that by speculating

in building sites.

The countryman knows better.

Wealth is the fifth good man have

made by draining and ploughing through thirty centuries.

That is what we are now destroying every year with suicidal speed in our unplanned countryside.

We are all aware that the speculative builder is ruining the beauty of our landscape. He is doing something even worse.

The ribbons of his tedious villas follow the roads and roads tend to me most numerous where the land is flat and fertile and well-worked.

Round a Chiltern village I know well I have been watching for ten years this rapid destruction of wealth. One by one the best fields are sold for building, and the dwindling farms produce less wheat and thinner milk, while the man who sells the land grows rich.

While some of us (with my warm sympathy) will plead with Mr. Greenwood that the amenities of the country shall be respected in his national plan, I want to plead for the wealth of the soil.

Of all claims on the land, the first should be the farmers', and when we assign to it its future use, our first care must be to protect the old pastures and the ploughed fields.

That means a revolution in our urban values, and it sets us the task of raising the countryman's standard of life — his cottage, his school and his recreations, as well as his wages — up to the townsmen's level.

But how, when we try to preserve the best land for its proper use as tillage, are we to meet the builder? Are we to pay an endless ransom in compensation, so that we may "sterilise" it?

The thing can be done on an adequate scale only when urban land and agricultural land are brought together under the common ownership of the nation.

What we lose then, by for-bidding building on fertile fields we shall balance by what we gain in site values by our urban improvements.

Given national ownership of the land, it will be possible to transplant industries to suit changed conditions and even to root up and replant a derelict town: what we lose here, we make good there.

No system of controls, however drastic, can vie with the advantages of ownership in planning. If we were to rest our case for it on that foundation and state it with good temper, as men who love the earth and the sunlight, I sometimes dare to think we might carry it by general consent.

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MESSAGE TO MR. CHURCHILL

The scroll carrying a message of appreciation to Mr. Winston Churchill and signed by 100,000 Chinese of Shanghai in all walks of life, has been handed over to the Chairman of the British Residents' Association for transmission to London.—Reuter.

A SECOND FINE

Following a fine last Friday for assaulting a ricksha coolie in Nathan Road on June 7 when his car collided with the ricksha, Mr. T. Haynie, of No. 197, Prince Edward, made a second appearance at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning and was fined \$5 by Mr. H. C. Macnamara for failing to report the accident.

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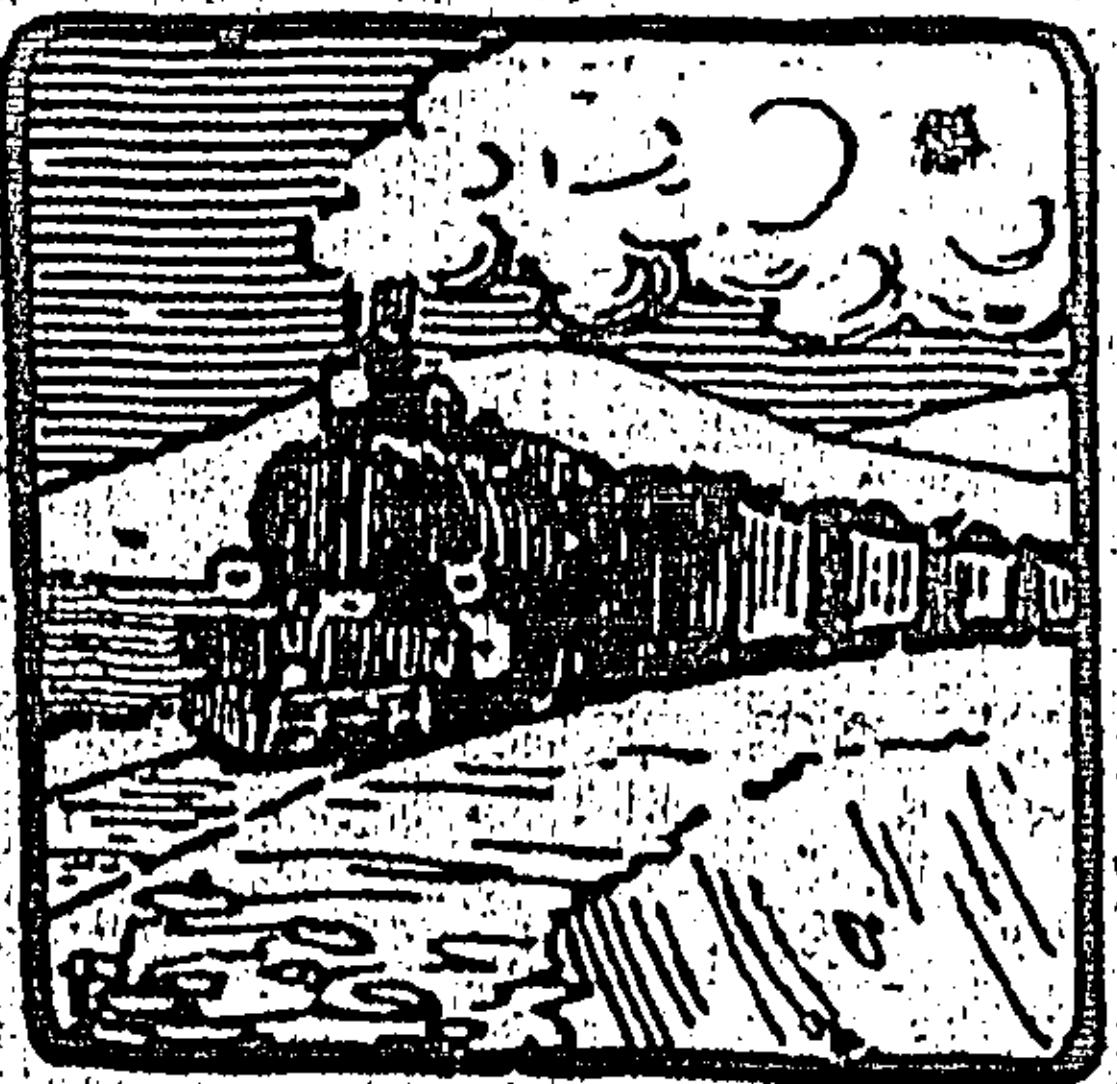
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HITLER'S WAR MACHINE IS NOW SHATTERING ITSELF AGAINST A FIRMLY HOLDING LINE FROM THE BALTIC TO THE BLACK SEA, ACCORDING TO OFFICIAL MOSCOW COMMUNIQUES WHICH ARE ENCOURAGINGLY BUOYANT.

The most shattering defeat yet inflicted upon Hitler is claimed as having taken place in Latvia in the Ostrov sector, scene in the last two days of some of the most sanguinary fighting of the war. Moscow now announces the end of the first phase of the battle, with complete victory for the Red Army.

"Hitler's panzer divisions in Latvia have now been forced to adopt defensive tactics," says the Russian High Command, adding that the severe defeat suffered by the Germans in this sector may prove to be one of the war's most important battles.

The Soviet also refers to German attempts to cross the north bank of the Dvina River at its western end, in the Polotsk sector, and says that Soviet troops firmly held their positions, repulsing every attack with severe loss.

After vain attempts to cross the River Dnieper in the Bobruisk sector, south-east of Minsk, the Germans were obliged to retire, suffering further heavy losses under withering fire of the Russian forces.

One German battalion in the Moguilov-Polotsk sector was completely annihilated.—International News Service.

Heavy Toll

A Soviet Communique stated yesterday that the Russians have repulsed numerous German attempts to break through in the Ostrov sector in Latvia.

DURING SUNDAY NIGHT, THE RUSSIANS TOOK A HEAVY TOLL OF GERMAN TANKS.

Night-long German efforts to cross the western Dvina river in the Polotsk sector were fiercely contested.

The Russians also frustrated German motorised attempts to break through eastwards in the Novograd-Volinsk sector.

In the Bessarabian sector, the Russians flung back the Germans to their original position inflicting heavy losses.

Two German destroyers were sunk in the naval battle when German forces were trying to penetrate the Gulf of Riga.

Nazi Communique

A German communique claims that the Germans have repulsed counter-attacks at Bessarabia and continue to advance.

In Bukovina, the Rumanian-Bulgarians have reached Upper Dniester and have captured Chernauti.

Operations in Galicia continue on a wide front beyond Sereth.

Hungarian Claims

On Saturday and Sunday, Hungarian troops carried out flanking attacks against the enemy, states a Hungarian Supreme Command communique. The Panzer divisions particularly distinguished themselves. "In some places our troops are advancing on the Eastern side of the Dniester."—Reuter.

No Essential Changes

Latest news of Russian counter-attacks and successful Russian resistance to German thrusts is contained in the Russian communique broadcast early this morning.

Soviet Approves Mr. Eden

THE NEWSPAPERS IN MOSCOW PUBLISH PROMINENTLY THE SPEECH WHICH THE BRITISH FOREIGN SECRETARY, MR. ANTHONY EDEN, MADE AT LEEDS, EMPHASISING THE PASSAGE IN THE SPEECH SAYING THAT BRITAIN IS NOT IN ANY CIRCUMSTANCES PREPARED TO NEGOTIATE WITH HITLER AT ANY TIME, ON ANY SUBJECT, AND THAT SHE WILL INTENSIFY HER WAR EFFORT UNTIL HE AND ALL HE STANDS FOR, IS UTTERLY DESTROYED.

The press emphasises also Mr. Eden's statement that Britain will do her utmost to help Russia, or help anyone else who fights Hitler, doing so without reservations or second thought.—Reuter.

JAPANESE CHANGES IN COMMAND

Important changes in the High Command of the Japanese Army have been made, states a London report.

The Japanese have appointed two new members of the Supreme War Council and a new Chief of Staff in China.

Prince Konoye, Prime Minister, and Admiral Oikawa, Navy Minister, were given an audience by the Emperor when the Premier reported on Cabinet matters.—Reuter.

JAPANESE SHOT IN HONGKEW

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")
USHERING IN THE FOURTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE SINO-JAPANESE HOSTILITIES, CHUNGKING DEFIED THE EXTENSIVE POLICE PRECAUTIONS BY ROUNDING UP AN UNIDENTIFIED JAPANESE CIVILIAN IN HONGKEW LAST NIGHT AND DYNAMITING THE RAILWAY LINE ON THE CITY'S WESTERN OUTSKIRTS.

The Japanese was not badly wounded and is believed to be an employee of a Japanese lumber firm.

The City was rocked by the blast which tore up the railway tracks on the Shanghai-Hangchow line, damaging 30 sleepers but causing no casualties. Traffic was resumed after several hours and the Japanese authorities have claimed that Chinese guerrillas were responsible for the outrage.—International News Service.

GERMANY CLOSES REPRISAL CAMPS

The War Office in London states that information has been received through the good offices of the United States Embassy that Stalag 20A, Fort 15 and Stalag 21D, Fort 8, (both prisoner's camps) have been closed and that all officers have been transferred from them to other camps.

Some officers are said to have been sent to Oflag 5B. The camps that have been closed are the so-called "reprisal camps" to which certain officers were transferred early in March.—Reuter.

JAPANESE LAND IN FUJIKEN

Landing of Japanese troops on the Southern Fujian coast was reported in Chungking yesterday. The report stated that over 1,000 Japanese troops effected a landing in the vicinity of Shao-an last Friday morning and that fighting was going on south and west of the city.—Reuter.

HUGE FIRES STARTED IN RAID ON MUNSTER

FIFTY FIRES IN MUNSTER ALONE WERE COUNTED BY AIR CREWS TAKING PART IN SUNDAY NIGHT'S POWERFUL BOMBING ATTACKS ON GERMANY AND GERMAN-OCCUPIED TERRITORY.

Enemy resources were attacked on land and sea. One force went to Western Germany to continue the disorganisation of traffic and the break down of industries. The other went to North-West France to attack the German warships at Brest.

In Western Germany, Munster—junction of many railways—was attacked while it was still smouldering after the heavy bombing of the night before. Again the city was made a mass of flames. In one railway yard, there was an enormous fire and the railway sheds were rent by terrific explosions.

Though Munster is the capital of Westphalia, Dortmund is the largest town and the great centre of the heavy industry. Here also there was widespread destruction of which one report stated: "A huge factory building was seen ablaze with fires all around. There were fires also in docks."

Cologne, Dusseldorf and Emden were among other towns where our bombers attacked industries and supplies.

In Holland, where various objectives including the docks at Rotterdam were attacked during the night, blazing warehouses lit up an enemy supply ship on the Zuider Zee not far from Amsterdam. The ship was seen from one of our bombers, which scored a hit on it.

Warships Bombed

At Brest, very heavy armour-piercing bombs were dropped on the berths of the three German warships, Scharnhorst, Gneisenau and Prinz Eugen.

The increased strength of the defences is proof, if proof were needed, of the value which the enemy attached to these warships and of the anxiety to get them ready for sea.

In the course of last night's attack, a liner of about 10,000 tons was sighted at anchor in the harbour at Brest. Diving down to attack and flattening out at about 50 feet, one British aircraft hit the ship with a powerful bomb, the explosion of which was seen, fair and square, on the stern.—British Wireless.

LETTER OF FIREMAN'S WIFE

SEVENTEEN FIREMEN FROM THE CATFORD AREA OF LONDON AND THEIR WIVES HAD TEA YESTERDAY AFTERNOON WITH MRS. WINANT, WIFE OF THE U.S. AMBASSADOR.

This was the outcome of a letter received by Mrs. Winant from the wife of a London fireman in Catford. The writer said she wanted Mrs. Winant to know her coming to England to join the Ambassador had "roused the admiration of all wives and mothers in London, especially those who know what an uncomfortable experience it is to endure the Blitz in order to keep the home fires burning."

She added the hope that Anglo-American cooperation would endure.

Expressing appreciation of the spirit underlying the letter, Mrs. Winant sent out the invitation.—British Wireless.

TWO KILLED IN ALEXANDRIA RAID

Two persons were killed and fourteen injured in an air raid on Alexandria on Sunday by enemy aircraft.—Reuter.

BALUCH REGIMENT IN ACTION

A MESSAGE FROM SIMLA SAYS THAT THE 10th BALUCH REGIMENT HAS TAKEN PART IN MUCH OF THE FIGHTING CAMPAIGN IN EAST AFRICA, AND THAT AFTER PARTICIPATING IN THE VICTORIES IN GALLABAT, KERU AND BARENTU, THE REGIMENT WENT UP TO KEREN FOR THE GREATEST BATTLE OF THE CAMPAIGN. ON MARCH 17, IT TOOK PART IN THE ABORTIVE ATTACK ON SANCHIL FEATURE.

On March 25 it passed round behind Sanchil, which was still held, and attacked the enemy on the lower hills over-looking the gorge known as railway bumps. These were a confused mass of steep hills dwarfed by mountains on either side, but were the severest obstacles, and were strongly held.

The Baluchs captured them and held them against three strong counter-attacks while sappers and miners repaired the road after them.

Afterwards, during the advance on Asmara, the Regiment took part in the fighting at Teclesan, then after the capture of Eritrea dropped down 7,000 feet to sea level at Massawa and were present at the capture of that town. The Regiment has so far been awarded one I.O.M. and three I.D.S.M.'s.—Reuter.

MOVE TO CLEAN-UP IN SHANGAI

[SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL"] Gambling dens in Shanghai were struck a new blow yesterday when Mr. C. C. Pan, Western District Police Commissioner, announced he would personally close up the Argentina Nite Club gambling rooms to-night.

The raid completes Mr. Pan's declared anti-gambling war in the Western District and removes the majority of the big gambling establishments. It is believed a number of minor dens are still operating but that these will be forced to close shortly.—International News Service.

MOTORING OFFENCES

Mr. G. J. P. Carey was summoned before Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., this morning, for leaving his car, No. 4045, unattended in Chater Road near Union Building.

A fine of \$5 was imposed. Mr. H. D. Edwell, and Mr. T. V. N. Fortescue, were each fined \$5 for parking overtime in Connaught Road car park.

A similar summons against Mrs. E. C. Fredericks, of White House, No. 177, Repulse Bay, was adjourned for one week.

“THREE LAWRENCES” WORK FOR BRITISH

Count Byron de Prorok, who has just returned to New York after twenty years' work in Africa as an archaeologist, believes that he knows the names of three new "Lawrences of Arabia" working in Africa for the British, writes the correspondent of the "Evening Standard."

From scraps of information revealed by the Cairo communiques, and from knowledge he has picked up in Africa, he believes they are:

Major Ralph Alger Bagnold, leader of desert expeditions, veteran of the last war, and one of the greatest authorities in the world on the movements of sand dunes;

Mr. William Boyd Kennedy Shaw, a former member of the Sudan Forest Service and the Palestinian Department of Antiquities, a noted botanist and archaeologist;

Captain Norman Hillier, explorer, author, veteran of the last war, and organiser of a trading company which operated across the Libyan Desert, using light cars instead of camels.

Count de Prorok declared that "two other probable heroes of Britain's North African campaign" are Major John Glubb known to the Arabs as "the man with the scar," who organised the Bedouins in the twenties to fight Saudi Arabian raiders; and Major James Maxwell, former commander of Kermuk, a friend and adviser of many Ethiopians.

"For years he has been studying trails through sand dunes. He must be the man who found the way to get light tanks through to attack Sidi Barrani, where the Italians were so confident it could not be done that they did not even post sentries over the dunes."

1,000ft. HILLS

"Behind Sidi Barrani the dunes form hills 300 to 1,000ft. high, the height of the Eiffel Tower. They change constantly. Major Bagnold knows the winds of those parts; he knows how the dunes would change, and with his records and data and personal knowledge, he could very well have kept track of the changes until the exact moment when the dunes would pass and light cars could fly along on the rock surface beneath."

"In the Libyan desert that rock is as hard and flat as a billiard table."

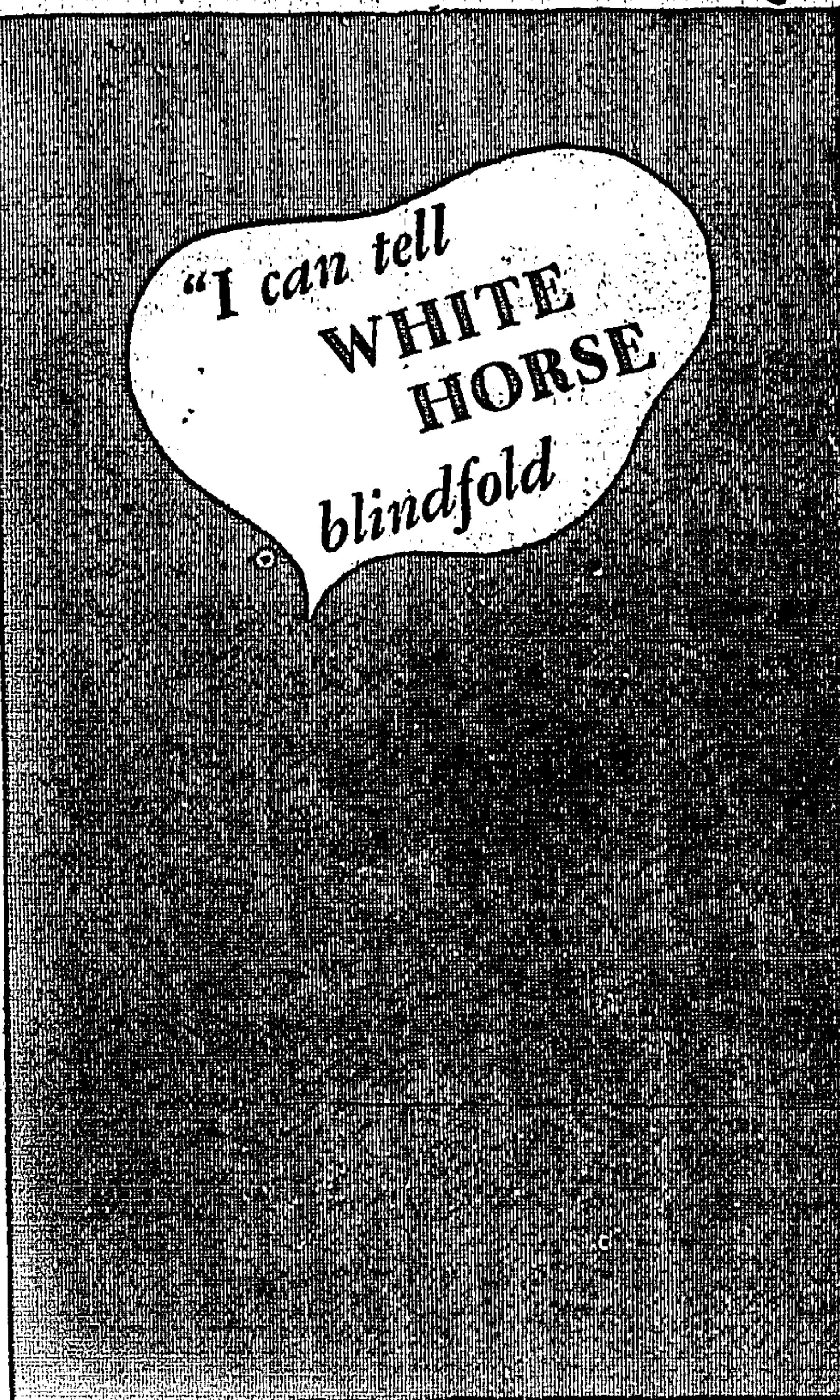
"Mr. Shaw could have been the link between the British and Free French forces coming up from Lake Chad. He used to spend his time mapping the desert spaces in winter, and then going to England in the hot weather to lecture and write."

"Captain Hillier was without a job after the last war. With his experience of the desert he organised the Western Desert Transport Company."

"His headquarters were at Mersa Matruh where the British drive into Libya started, and Siwa, the great Oasis of Jupiter, in the heart of the desert."

"He had rest houses and deposits of water and food placed strategically all over the desert. The Senussi, who still call Graziani "the Butcher," are behind Hillier. They are behind anyone who is against Graziani."

"Hillier helped hundreds of the tribesmen to escape from the Italians through the barbed wire fence. Mussolini had set up along the Libyan-Egyptian frontier."



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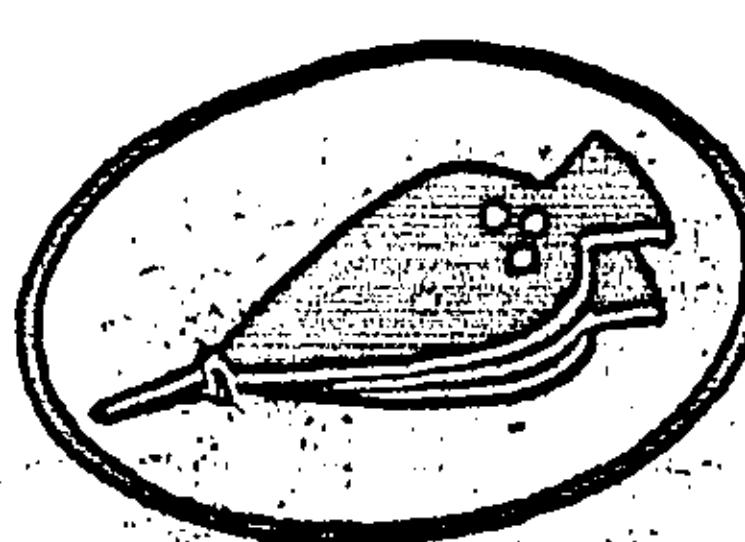
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BRIDGE NOTES

A USEFUL PLAY
By The Four Aces

To-day's hand illustrates a very useful defensive play, often missed by the average player:

South, Dealer
Both sides vulnerableNORTH
♦ A 8
♥ J 9 8 2
♦ 10 9 8
♣ J 5 3 2WEST
♠ J 10 9 3
♥ A 6 4
♦ 7 2
♣ Q 9 6 4EAST
♠ 7 6 5 4 2
♥ 7 5
♦ A 4 3
♣ K 10 7SOUTH
♠ K Q
♥ K Q 10 3
♦ K Q J 6 5
♣ A 8The bidding:
South West North East
1♦ Pass 1NT Pass
2♦ Pass 3♦ Pass
4♦ Pass Pass Pass

West thought long and earnestly about the opening lead and finally hit upon the seven of diamonds. To be perfectly frank, we think his lead was dictated more by clairvoyance than any clear reasoning; but whatever the reason for it, the lead was the "killing" opening.

But it isn't enough to make the killing opening lead; you must also have a partner who can cooperate in the defense. Most players holding the East cards would automatically play the Ace of diamonds on the first trick. That would allow South to make his contract, for West would never be able to get a diamond ruff.

But East correctly read his partner's lead as the top of a doubleton, so he carefully refrained from winning the first trick. Instead he played the four of diamonds, the highest card he could spare to encourage a continuation when West regained the lead.

South overtook dummy's diamond eight with the Jack in order to lead the Queen of hearts, but West stepped up at once with the heart Ace in order to lead his remaining diamond. And then it was time for East to take his Ace and return the suit, giving his partner a ruff. Later on South had to give up a club trick, for a one-trick set.

* * *

Yesterday you were Oswald Jacoby's partner and, with neither side vulnerable, you held:

♦ Q 7 5
♥ 10 9 8
♦ Q A J 7 6 5 3
♣ AThe bidding:
You Schenken Jacoby Moller
Pass: 1♦ Pass 2♦
2♦ Pass 3♦ 3♦
(?)

ANSWER: Pass. If you bid again, you will probably "push" the opponents into game at spades—and that's just what you don't want. By passing, you give them the chance to play the hand conservatively at only three spades. Score 100% for pass, 50% for four diamonds, 20% for five diamonds.

Question No. 762

To-day you hold the same hand, and the bidding continues:

You Schenken Jacoby Moller
Pass: 1♦ Pass 2♦
2♦ Pass 3♦ 3♦
Pass: 4♦ Pass Pass
(?)

What do you bid? (Answer to-morrow.)

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A SELF-EDUCATED ARMY IN BRITAIN

MOST PEOPLE ARE vaguely aware that, after many false starts, there is an Army education scheme in action, but they know very little about its purpose or about the way it works.

Until a few weeks ago, apart, of course, from technical military training, there was one single educational source in the Army — the one provided by the adult education bodies of Great Britain.

These bodies, working through regional committees, provided Army and R.A.F. units with lectures and discussions on a wide variety of subjects. The massed resources of university extension, W.E.A., local education authorities, &c. were thus lent, at first on a voluntary basis, to those citizens who had also become soldiers and airmen for the duration.

But adult education in peacetime provides lecturers for an audience not one-twentieth the size of the Army to-day. The only possible way of supplementing this inadequate ration of imported education was for the Army to attempt to produce some of its own education. In its wise and imaginative pamphlet "Education in the War-time Army," as well as in later instructions, the War Office has urged on units the importance of developing their own cultural resources, and to-day, although the Army is using to the full the available services of the adult education bodies, it is also increasing, week by week, the number of "home-produce" educational classes. Unit education officers are now finding and using the teaching talent of officers and men at a rapidly increasing rate.

Good And Bad

Anyone who has spent a few weeks observing at close quarters the development of the new Army education scheme is at first bewildered by the contrasts it presents. In one unit the only sample you are offered is a week-dedicated on such a topic as "Amateur v. professional in sport" or a spirited performance by a small percussion band.

But in another unit you will find a time-table which includes within a single week classes in French, German, music, drama, world affairs, local government, elementary science, and archaeology.

There are units so well off in teaching talent that they can not only provide their own men with a wide choice of subjects but can also lend their surplus to their poorer neighbours. In many places, again, the soldiers still depend entirely on the "imported" educational rations instead of providing their own.

The truth is that in this still tentative and experimental scheme several policies are operating, and not all of them are effective or even desirable. In some places, for example, the well-meaning but premature policy was tried of "training the men for the return to civil life." On this basis artisans were coaxed to consider the advantages of a black-coated life after the war and for a few brief and disillusioning weeks tried to learn book-keeping or shorthand or commercial French. This idea is now less favoured, and the local education authorities are better engaged, apart from the considerable aid they are giving in technical training, in arranging courses in handicrafts, drama, music, and similar constructive kinds of recreation.

"Anti-Boredom"

Another policy which gained a hold for a time was the anti-boredom line. It is probable that some commanding officers who would have been indifferent to "education for its own sake" were persuaded to push the scheme for its value in keeping the men occupied in the winter evenings. The weakness of the anti-boredom policy was that it tended to develop an indiscriminating idea of education. "Any old thing to interest the men" is an attitude which might soon produce the effect of a Graham's Law and reduce educational effort to a sheer entertainment level.

But one hour or less from commanding officers to-day than one did a few months ago about the antidote value of education, and far more about its value as a stimulus to thought and as a provoker of creative, now intercultural and occupations.

The growing understanding within the Army of the real cultural purposes of an educational system is best shown in the emphasis now set upon discussion. At first there used to be something of a parade atmosphere about this voluntary system. The "high spot" of the proceedings was regarded as what the Lecturer Said. The present inclination is to consider the lecture as the preliminary to an unfettered give-and-take of opinion among the men — a feature all the more usually among the audiences. Another good symptom is the effort being made to organise continuous courses in a subject rather than a series of unrelated lectures.

On Right Lines

After a slow and uncertain start Army education has got on to the right lines and is developing at a surprisingly good pace. Its administration is in the very capable and enthusiastic hands of the Army Education Corps, recently reinforced by a keen "in-take" of men who were W.E.A. tutors, officers of a local education authority, schoolmasters, and so on. Conditions of military training and movement make the whole scheme something of an obstacle race, yet those same realise that, however valuable the service they get from civilian sources, the only education they can be sure of wherever they go is the one they provide for themselves. It is all the more lamentable that the A.T.S., so much more stationary than the men, have so far shown the most timid interest in providing similar facilities for the women.



GROUND STAFF DOWN NAZI RAIDER

A German bomber recently emerged from a low layer of cloud above a group of ground defence crews of the R.A.F. Army Cooperation Command.

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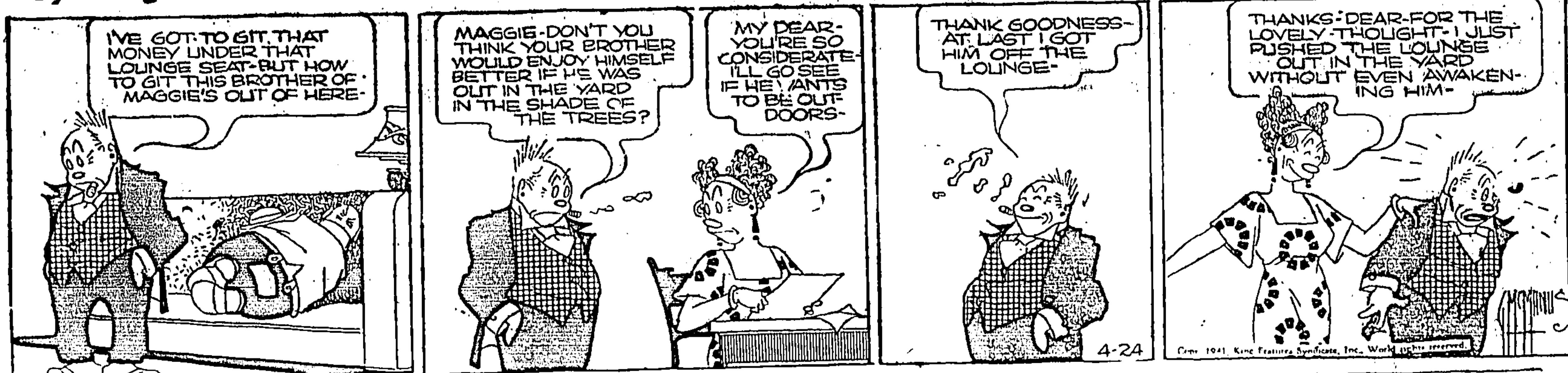
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A PAGE FOR WOMEN

Fragrance And Colour

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1/2 teaspoon ground cloves
2 teaspoons butter
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*Cheese Tomato Sandwich

2/3 cup condensed tomato soup
1/4 pound grated cheese
1 egg
3 tablespoons mayonnaise

Combine tomato soup and grated cheese and heat in a double boiler until the cheese is just melted. Add the slightly beaten egg gradually and cook 3-4 minutes. Remove from fire and pour into shallow plate to cool. When cool add mayonnaise and mix well. Store in the refrigerator until firm. Makes 8-10 sandwiches. This filling keeps very well.

To make sandwiches—1. Spread each slice of bread with Cheese Tomato Spread and then put together.

2. Or spread each slice of bread with Cheese Tomato Spread and then put crisp bacon or slices of ham between sandwich slices.

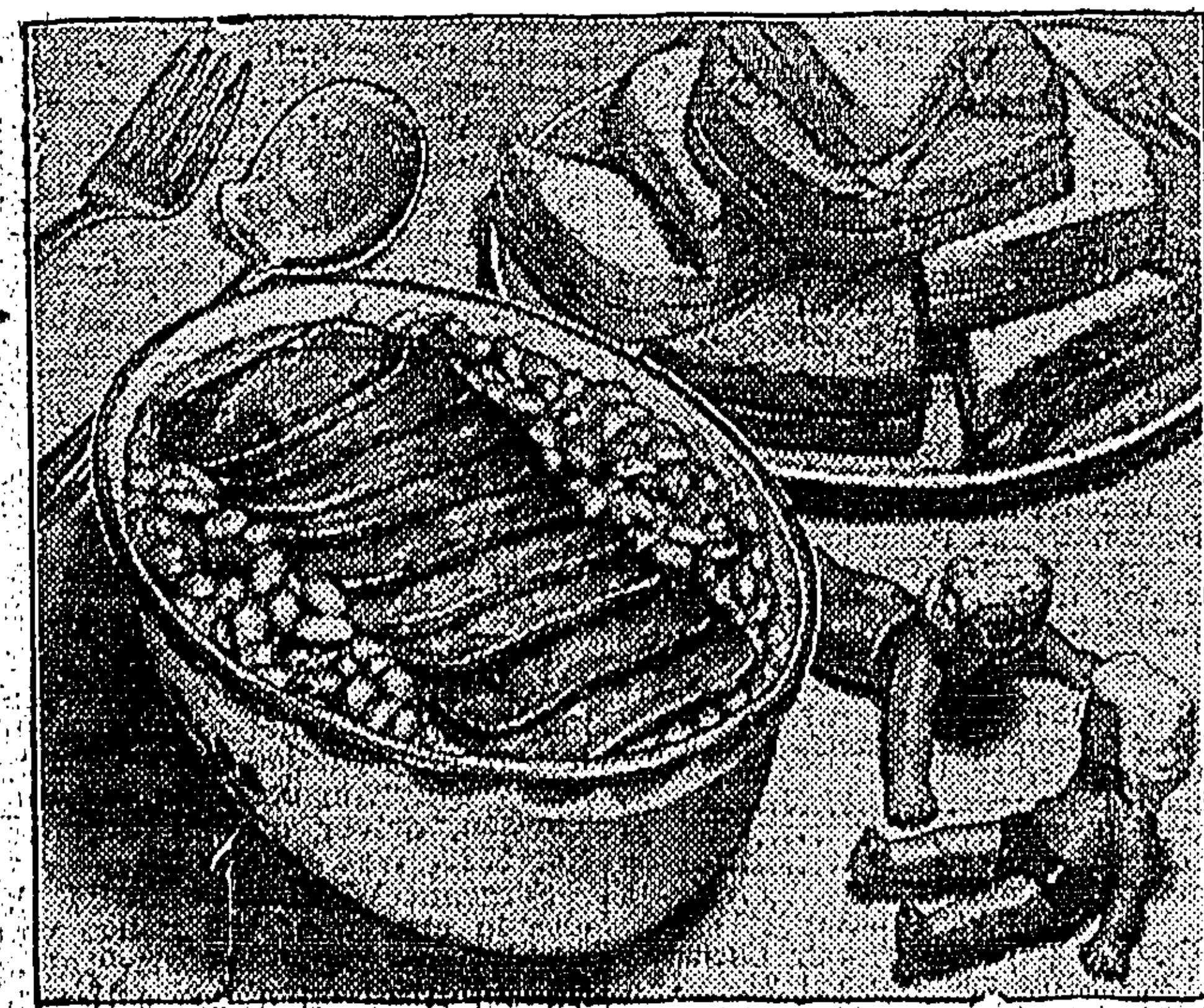
A Garden Picnic Is Fun

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Says Dorothy Grieg

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 12.30 p.m.—Webster Booth (Tenor) and Light Symphony Orchestra.
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 Love Is My Song (Raymond Murray); The Lavender Lass (Mortimer Murray)...Webster Booth (Tenor) with Orchestra.
 Bal Masque (Fletcher); Mon Reve (Waldteufel)...Light Symphony Orchestra.
 My Love and I; Sweet Melody of Night (both from film 'Give us this Night')...Webster Booth (Tenor) with Orchestra.
 Strauss Polkas...Light Symphony Orchestra.
 1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Programme Summary.
 1.02 p.m.—The Albert Sandler Trio. A Choice of Colour—Intro: Pink Lady Waltz; A Brown Bird Singing; Over The Rainbow; Coal Black Mammy; Two Eyes of Grey; My Blue Heaven.
 Le Canari (Pollakian).
 The Star Serenade (May & Byfield). When Our Dreams Grow Old (Based on 'Plaisir d'amour')—Polar & Steller.
 1.18 p.m.—Songs by Lawrence Tibbett (Baritone).
 Without A Song; Life Is A Dream (both from film 'The Southerner') with Orchestral accompaniment.
 Bess, You Is My Woman Now (from Gershwin's 'Porgy and Bess')...with Helen Jepson (Soprano) and Orchestra accompaniment.
 1.30 p.m.—Reuter & Rugby Press and Announcements.
 1.45 p.m.—An Elgar Programme. Speak, Music...Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone) with Piano accompaniment.
 Sonata in E Minor for Violin and Piano, Op. 62—1st Mov: Allegro; 2nd Mov: Romance-Andante; 3rd Mov: Allegro non troppo...Albert Sammons (Violin) and William Murdoch (Piano).
 2.15 p.m.—Close down.
 6.00 p.m.—Indian Programme.
 6.45 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.
 6.47 p.m.—De Groot & His Orchestra. 'Les Cloches De Corneville'—Selection (Planquette); The Song of Songs (Moya); La Violeteria (Featured in the film 'City Lights'—Padilla); 'Les Millions D'Arlequin'—Serenade (Dixie); Old Spanish Song (Aubert); Other Days (Selection of Popular Melodies—arr. Fink).
 7.15 p.m.—Reginald Foote at the Organ. Reminiscences of Friml—Intro: Indian Love Call; The Mountaine; Chanson; The door of my dreams; Rose Marie; March of the Vandebonds; Only a Rose; L'amour, toujours l'amour; Serenade, Childhood Memories (arr. Debroy Somers).
 Reminiscences of The Gaiety Theatre—Intro: Soldiers in the Park; Queen of my Heart; Yip, I Addy; The Last Waltz; What do you do Sunday, Mary?; The Only Way.
 7.30 p.m.—Portuguese Programme.
 8.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
 8.15 p.m.—London Relay—War Commentary.
 8.25 p.m.—London Relay—'Listening Post'. Examination of Points in Daily German & Italian Propaganda.
 8.30 p.m.—Programme Summary.
 8.32 p.m.—Variety.
 Vocal—My Kind of Music; Rhumba-boogie (both from 'Top of the World')...Pat Kirkwood with Orch. Instru.—It's Love Again—Fox-Trot Medley...The Keyboarders (Two Pianos & Drums).
 Humorous Sketch—Sandy Plays in the Test Match (Thomson)...Sandy Powell & Company.
 Accordeon Solos—Ma Petite Java (Castoncelli); Czardas (Monti)...Gigetto Castoncelli with Piano.
 Vocal—Most Gentlemen Don't Like Love (Cole Porter); My Heart Belong to Daddy (Cole Porter)...Pat Kirkwood with Jack Hylton and some of his Boys.
 9.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Announcements.
 9.02 p.m.—Francis Popy—Suite Orientale.
 The Bajaderes—On the Shores of the Ganges—The Dancers—The Patrol...Grand Symphony Orchestra.
 9.16 p.m.—Vivian Ellis (Piano) and Grace Moore (Soprano).
 A Little White Room ('Floodlight')—Beverly Nichols)...Vivian Ellis (Piano).
 Stars in My Eyes; Learn How to Lose (both from 'The King steps out')...Gracie Moore (Soprano) with Orchestra.
 Let Me Play (In Which Vivian Ellis introduces Fifteen of his Best Known Tunes)...Vivian Ellis (Piano) (Soloist: Vivian Ellis, himself).
 What Shall Remain? (from 'The King Steps Out')...Gracie Moore (Soprano) with Orchestra.
 The First Waltz ('Streamline'—Ellis)...Vivian Ellis (Piano).
 9.45-10.00 p.m.—News in French (on Short Wave only).
 9.48 p.m.—Band Music.
 'Radetzky' March (Strauss, Op. 223)...The B.B.C. Wireless Military Band.
 March of the Toys (Entr'acte—from 'Babes in Toyland'—Herbert); Portrait of A Toy Soldier (Ewing, arr. Wright)...Foden's Motor Works Band.
 Policeman's Holiday—One Step (Ewing)...The Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards.
 10.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News and News Commentary.
 10.15 p.m.—Mascagni's "Cavalleria Rusticana".
 Characters and Soloists in order of appearance: Turiddu, a young soldier...Giovanni, a boy (Tenor); Santuzza, a village girl...Della Sanzio (Soprano); Lucia, mother of Turiddu; Olga, De Franco (Contralto); Alfonso, a lieutenant...Piero, Blasini (Baritone); Lola, wife of Alfonso...M. Pantaleon (Mezzo-Soprano); and Members of La Scala Orchestra and Chorus, Milan.

PROBLEM OF
EMPLOYMENT
IN HONG KONG

HIS EXCELLENCY the Governor spoke very clearly and logically on the subject of Hong Kong's war effort, comments "St. John's Review."

Obviously what has been done is of a tentative nature, rather experimental and fact finding, but now the taxable capacity of the colony is gradually being revealed, the improvement of the taxing system must inevitably follow.

The extent of the poverty is known, but the amount of wealth and its distribution is not, or was not. The primary object of this increased taxation is, first of all, to help Britain in her colossal task of destroying Hitlerism and secondly to improve the social conditions in the Colony. But the two are not necessarily unrelated. Certainly the social life in this place would be completely disorganized, if the first aim were not achieved, and those who withheld their support and so contributed to the failure of the British effort would be the first to realize their mistake. The connection, however, is not of that nature. If there is sufficient money in the hands of the government then factories can be started, ships built and thousands of people given employment in Hong Kong.

There is no doubt that the building of the tunnels has been beneficial in that respect but now the products of local labour should be for direct support of the war effort. It is material help that Britain needs, not money, and so the more things we can make the better for all concerned.

Social Services

With regard to social services these too will help in the war effort, for Hong Kong is the most closely observed of all cities. Its security, its freedom from blackouts, its prosperity and amities, its brightness and cheerfulness, all these are naturally closely studied in China proper. But what China sees from afar is an unbalanced social system. They speak of Hong Kong with envy because of its security, even with admiration for its beauty and cleanliness, but also with disdain for those who do not share in the sufferings and sorrows which are the lot of China to-day and, of course, of Britain too. Hong Kong people cannot very well wear sackcloth but it need not be extravagant in its scale of living or entertainment with two wars on its borders; it ought to have ever present before its eyes the tremendous sacrifices that are being made by others, partly to guarantee Hong Kong its independent existence.

MONTHLY BROADCASTING REPORT FOR JUNE, 1941

Actual hours of transmission totalled 436 1/2 of which 201 1/2 were devoted to European Programmes, 210 to Chinese Programmes and 23 to Indian Programmes as follows:

Z.B.W. (European) Morning transmission 60% Evening transmission 134%

201 1/2

During the month apart from recorded programmes the following items were broadcast:

Feature Programmes 1

Recitals 2

Studio Talks (including Book Reviews and Newsletters) 14

Local Relays (including Church Services) 5

Sunday Evening Epilogues 11

Programmes in French (News, etc.) 30

Programmes in Portuguese 4

Z.E.K. (Chinese) 2

Morning transmission 60

Evening transmission 150

210

During the month apart from recorded programmes the following items were broadcast:

Studio Concerts 22

Children's Concerts 3

Daventry Relays 0

Z.B.W. (Indian) 1

Evening transmission only (including talks, records and recitals) 20

New Licences issued during June 853

Renewals of Licences during June 401

Total Licences issued during 1941 6,000

It will be a splendid thing, therefore, if Hong Kong can so rule itself that it becomes a model to be copied rather than an example to be scorned.

Democracy

Good government of the democratic sort is the result of a tension between the opposing groups within the community. That method of resolving the forces, however, is only possible where there is a reasonable standard of education prevailing throughout the state. If one large group is illiterate then obviously it cannot get its claims presented, and so instead of tension which issues in an agreed policy we have a pressure which shuts out the voice of the dispossessed or the disinterested.

This, of course, is the problem in every country which for some reason or other believes in quantity or other believes in quality. It does not follow that these people are neglected entirely. Obviously it would not be politic to do so, but as they are not articulate they accept uncritically the measures which are designed in their interests. That leads to the alleviation of their immediate distress rather than to the prevention of it.

There are many definitions of civilisation but perhaps the capacity to see ahead and of course to adopt measures which will bring about desirable results is as good a criterion as any.

To A Standard

Even if the masses in Hong Kong therefore cannot formulate their wishes and if these have to arrange for them, there still remains the duty of co-ordinating and estimating the value of the recommendations, put forward with reference to their future effect.

In Britain no local authority is left to itself, nor does it desire that it should be. What happens is that highly informed men and women go from the various government departments in London to see that the standards in education, in methods of local taxation, in police work, in poor law, public health and such things are not only maintained but steadily improved. These experts in their own line know what the possible standard is for that period, and so by their advice, they encourage each authority to reach it.

It would be an excellent thing in peace time, when flying is the usual mode of transport, if experts familiar with the standards in all the colonies were able to pay regular visits of a similar kind. We would then have uniformity of development instead of one or two departments running away with all the funds while others starved for lack of them.

DID NOT
GIVE WAY

Summoned before Mr. H. C. Macnamara at Kowloon this morning for failing to pull to the left when signalled by an Emergency Unit van on June 3, Leung Tin-sau, driver of a private car No. 5336, was fined \$10.

Sergeant W. Rothwell said he was in charge of the police van, which was being driven along Nathan Road on a fire-call. The driver of the police van gave airen signal to defendant, who failed to pull his car to the left for about five minutes.

LARGE GAMBLING DEN RAIDED

As a result of a gambling raid at No. 6, Wing Wo Street, second floor, by Assistant Superintendent of Police Mr. E. C. Luscombe, and Detective Sergeant W. G. Morrison, four Chinese were charged before Mr. G. T. Lowry this morning, with keeping a common gaming house, and 19 with gambling on the premises.

One keeper and four gamblers were absent and their bail of \$250 and \$10 each were estreated. Li Yee, 28, was fined \$150 or two months' hard labour, while two other alleged keepers, who pleaded not guilty, were remanded until Saturday. Fifteen gamblers were fined \$10 each.

Mr. Luscombe told the Court that this was one of the largest gambling establishments in the Colony. The Police had been trying to track it down for several weeks.

PEAK THIEF GAOLED

A WELL-DRESSED CHINESE, LI HON, 26, WAS SENTENCED TO 12 MONTHS' HARD LABOUR BY MR. H. G. SHELDON, K.C., THIS MORNING, FOR LARCENY OF ARTICLES TO THE VALUE OF \$313 FROM NO. 462, THE PEAK, ON FRIDAY.

Defendant was also charged with a breach of the Deportation Ordinance. He had been banished for life.

According to Sergeant G. Wilkerson, of Gough Hill Police Station, a special watch was kept in the district as many burglaries had been reported on the Peak recently. Early on Friday, a Chinese detective met defendant in the road beneath No. 462, The Peak, carrying five clocks, a wrist watch, a fountain pen, and three pairs of spectacles in a rattan basket. The property belonged to Mr. C. E. Waddell and Dr. J. E. Dovey, of No. 462, The Peak.

WATCHMAN TRIES TO DODGE FARE

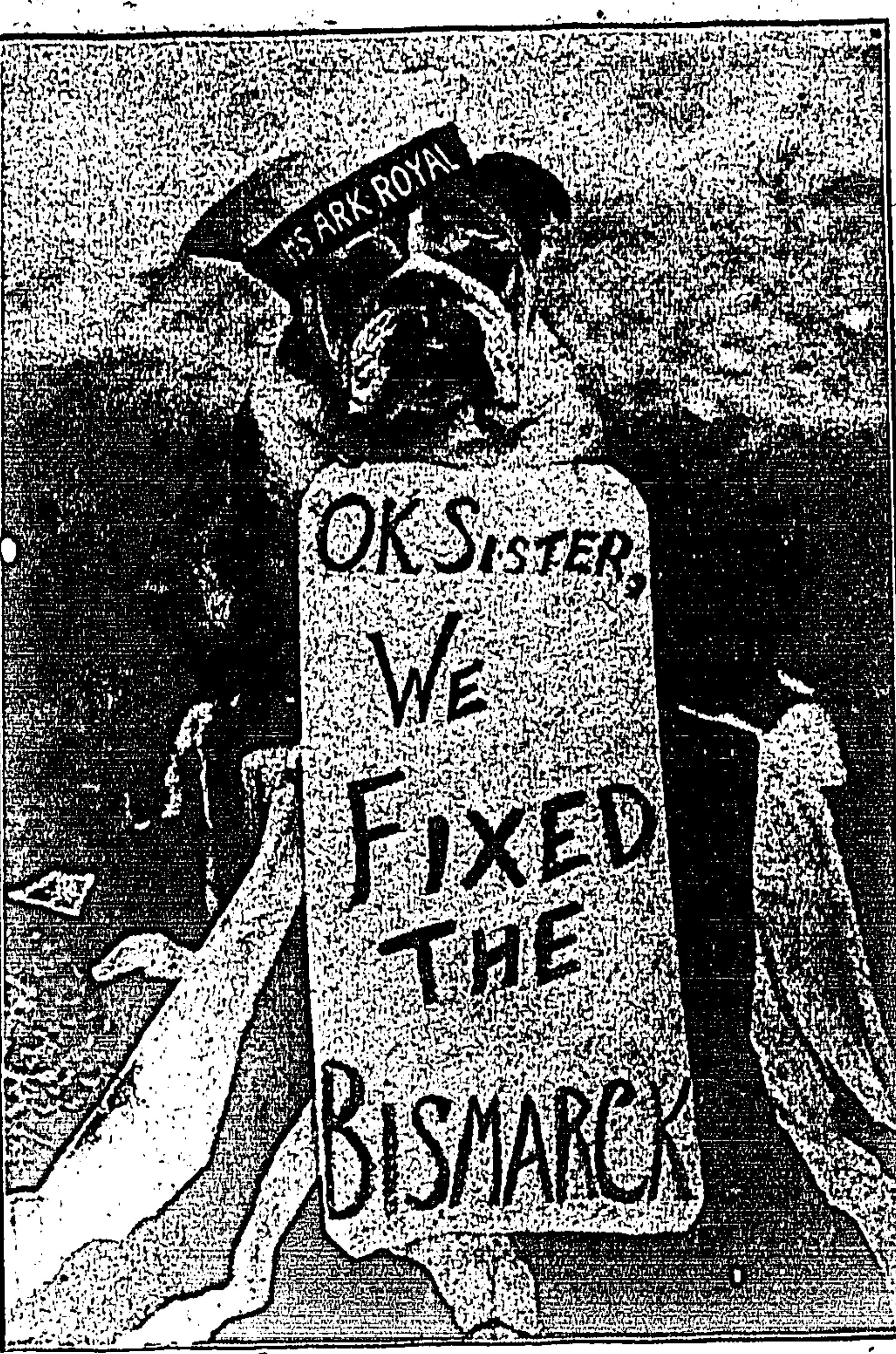
A fine of \$15 was imposed by Mr. D. J. N. Anderson at Kowloon this morning on Pala Singh, 60, watchman employed at Kowloon Hospital for avoiding payment of bus fare last Friday.

Accused boarded a No. 2 bus in Nathan Road, near Boundary Street, and told the conductor that he was a "foki" when asked for the fare.

The conductor insisted on seeing his pass. Accused was taken to the police station and charged.

AMERICAN SEAMAN STAYS AWAY

Failing to answer a charge of behaving in a disorderly manner by fighting in front of the Blue Peter Cafe in Nathan Road last night, John Burns, 27, fireman on board a President boat, had his bail of \$5 estreated by Mr. D. J. N. Anderson at Kowloon this morning.



"Queenie," a famous Twickenham bulldog, is certainly one of the bulldog breed—and displayed the Navy's victory over the Bismarck in this manner.

PHANTOM SHIP GIVES NAZIS A HEADACHE

"THE PHANTOM sailed again." Those words will have been passed from mouth to mouth in Nazi-governed Norway following the lightning raid by a Norwegian warship on part of the Norwegian coast.

For weeks a story has been sweeping Norway and trickling through into Sweden that a phantom destroyer has been dodging round Norway's coast, playing jokes on Nazi garrisons and outposts, and generally upsetting the complacency of Norway's temporary Nazi masters.

Now comes the news that the surprise Easter raid first reported via Stockholm was undertaken by a Norwegian warship under Norwegian command—in agreement with British naval authorities.

It took the Germans completely by surprise, according to reports reaching Stockholm from Oslo.

There were no British losses, and oil depots, a factory and harbour works were destroyed.

"She's Here Again"

The first acts of the landing party were to cut telephone and telegraph lines, and take prisoners the local leaders of Quisling's party.

The harbour which was raided is in the same district as Svolvaer, the scene of the previous British and Norwegian raid on the Lofoten Islands.

The Berlin radio admitted that the local fish plant had been set on fire. It added:

"As weather conditions did not permit our bombers to intercept this raider, hunting for dead hereing, it was able to get away."

One can guess at the consternation among the Nazi officers garrisoned on this part of the Norwegian coast.

Lately some of them have found neatly-folded two-day-old copies of London newspapers alongside their breakfast sausages.

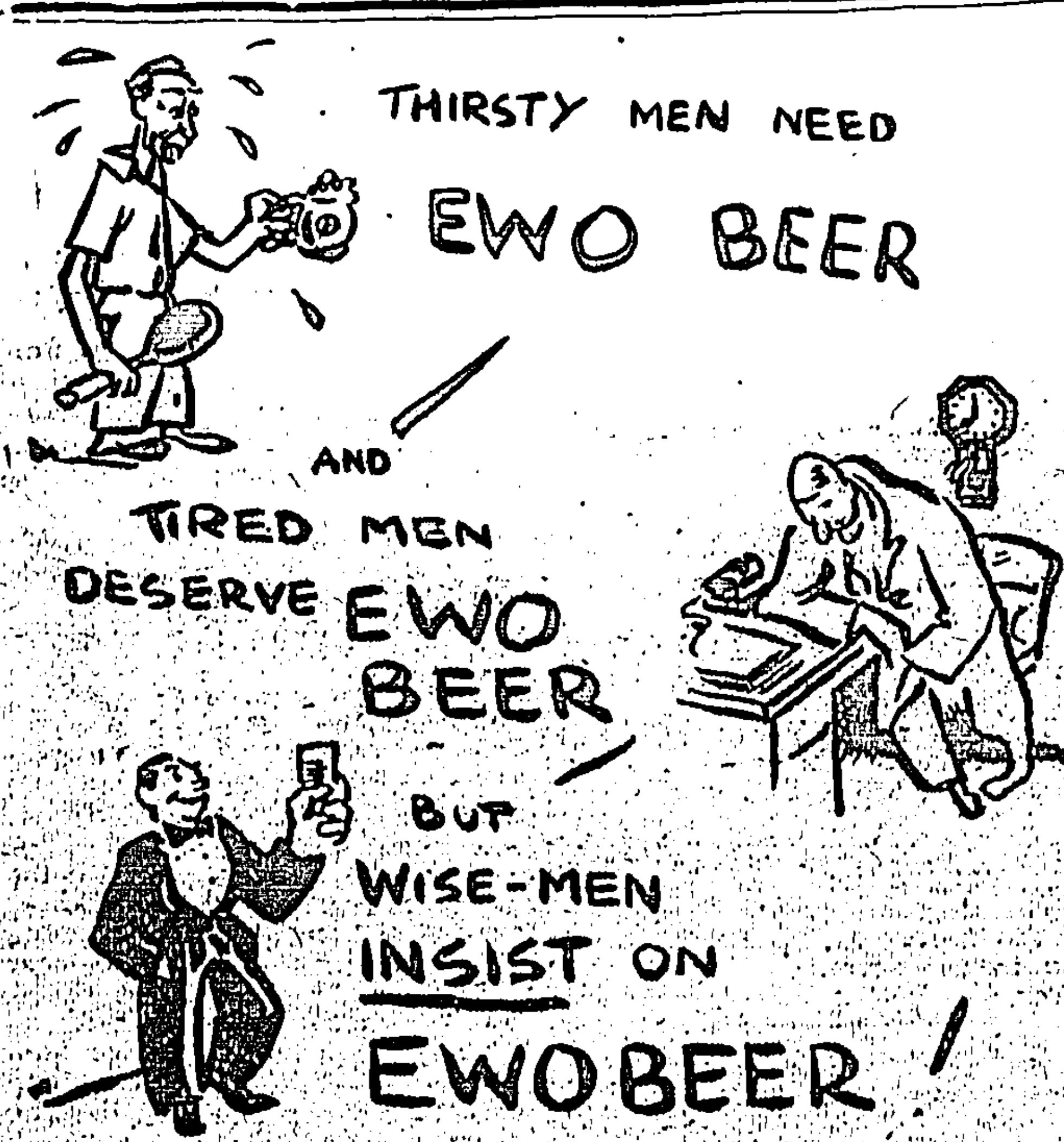
How did they get there? No Norwegian seemed to know. But the whisper went round the coastline. "It's our destroyer Sleipner. She's here again."

Ran Gauntlet

Tales are being told in the Northern countries of how she has been running the Nazi gauntlet to reach her own coastline, mining entrances to hidden bays, destroying lonely outposts and capturing German small craft.

There is no news so far about which warship was engaged in this Easter raid.

But in Norway they'll be saying she was the phantom Sleipner, whose daring cheers up those Norwegians awaiting liberation from the aggressors.



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CAPTAIN TRICKED U-BOAT

The King and the Sea captain met on a bustling wharf in Glasgow, and the captain told the King that his ship had been torpedoed in the Atlantic.

This was his story. "A U-boat broke surface a hundred yards away.

"I went hard to starboard as quick as I could. But the U-boat was quick, too, and a torpedo struck the ship on the port side.

"We put up a smoke screen, and Mr. Johnson, my chief engineer, kept his engines at full speed, although at one time his 'shop' was full of water. Although she was listing to port, she was trimmed, and brought back on an even keel."

Last night's London Gazette announced that Captain Rice, of Holden-way, Upminster, Essex, and Chief Engineer Albert George Johnson, chief engineer, of Beresford Avenue, Bebington, Cheshire, are to be additional officers of the Order of the British Empire for saving "a most valuable ship" without the help of any other vessel.

Bombed

And here are two more reasons why the King is proud of his sailors:

A ship commanded by Captain John Joseph Robinson, of Runswick Bay, Yorkshire, was raked by machine-gun fire and hit by a whole stick of bombs. She began to go down by the head.

Captain Robinson had his right hand torn; all the boats were damaged. But he got the port lifeboat into the water. Having first made sure that no one was left on board, Captain Robinson, with twenty-seven men, stood by waiting calmly for a rescue ship.

Captain Robinson is also made an officer of the Order of the British Empire.

John Henry Cook, of St. Andrew Road, Gorleston-on-Sea, was master of an unarmed lightship which was bombed and machine-gunned.

A third of his crew was out of action, but Cook kept his ship on station as a good sea-mark, and "showed great courage and devotion to duty." He receives the medal of the Civil Division, O.B.E.

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LEFT HIP AROUND FOR EASIER GOLF

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When the left hip fails to turn aside out of the path of the downstroke, the progress of the left arm is impeded, causing a collapse of this member and a hook to the ball. Quite often the player himself cannot immediately locate the cause of the trouble and attempts to steer the ball. This remedy does not straighten the ball's flight for the very simple reason that the let-up in swinging effort is not enough to force the left hip to turn aside. What is required is a strenuous swinging effort, which will make the left side turn to the left and return the left heel to the ground. It is well for the player to keep continually conscious of the fact that the left hip turning movement is one of the first downswing motions, moving slightly forward and around as the downstroke gets underway.

During the National Amateur tournament of 1934, Lawson Little was having a great deal of this identical trouble with his drives. Easing up did not help matters at all and in desperation he tried hitting the ball hard to rid his

Billy Chang Saves Chung Hwa From Whitewashing: Lose 10-1

By "Grandstand"

MAKING EFFECTIVE USE OF THEIR FIVE SAFETIES AND TAKING ADVANTAGE OF 16 FREE TICKETS TO THE INITIAL STATION, LARRY HAMLIN'S SAPPERS ROLLED OVER "CHUCK" WAGGONER'S MARAUDING MOHAWKS IN SATURDAY'S BASEBALL NIGHT-CAP BY 16 TO 9 TO KICK OVER THE OLD DOPE BUCKET, WHILST THE SLUGGING BREWERS POUNDED CHUNG HWA HURLER AL LAU FOR EIGHT SOLID BLOWS TO PAVE THE WAY FOR A 10 TO 1 TRIUMPH, DESPITE A SLIGHT DRIZZLE WHICH THREATENED TO HALT THE GAME.

If the team that graced the diamond last Saturday was the Marauding (?) Mohawks, they certainly were the tamest bunch of injuns I ever cast my orbs on, as brave after brave bit helplessly by.

Larry Hamlin's new pitching discovery, "Jonah" Jones, was the mound-victor in his initial performance, and tossed them in for four frames, fanned two, walked two and was nicked for four blows before he was relieved by 'fireman' Mike Sarsfield, who hurled a one-hitter for the remaining three chapters.

"Wild Bill" Smith's return to the Tribe was hailed by hearty Bronx bouquets from the jockeys. Smith started on the hill, but was sent to the showers in the fourth after passing nine Sappers to first. Bernie "Red" Johnson, who replaced Smith on the mound, suff-

fered a similar fate after he had handed out four free tickets in succession with the bases clogged with Sappers in the same frame.

Master-mind "Chuck" Waggoner produced still another hurler in Johnnie Schaberg, who displayed hidden talent by whiffing nine and walking one only for the remainder of the fray.

Sappers went into a flying start as "Honest Tom" Fox worked Smith for a pass on four pitched balls, and burgled the midway. Bob Foley's rasping double to left saw Fox cross the pan standing up, for the first run. A walk, coupled with two errors, added three more tallies in the first. The Mohawks could only reply with one counter on a single and an outfield muff. Both sides were blanked in the next, although Fox singled and pilfered second and third, but was left stranded as Bob Foley struck out.

In the third Engineers manufactured two more runs on four walks, helped by Taylor's liner and Welford's roller. They lost the lead as Mohawks produced a cluster of six markers on two blows and four bobbles.

Crack-Up Scented

Scenting a crack-up on the mound, Sappers played patience with slabster Smith and waited him out to load the bases. Smith was yanked for Johnson, who proved no better, leaving Schaberg

game of the hook. This effort made the hip turn mandatory and forced the left heel down. Thereafter Little went on to win the title but it was only after the cure was effected that he realised just where the trouble lay.

Next Article.—Head Down Training Routine.

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Following is the goal-scoring list to date in the Y.M.C.A. Invitation Water-Polo Tournament:

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U.S.S. Mindanao	2	0	1.000
Brewers	4	1	.800
Chung Hwa	3	1	.750
U.S.S. Asheville	1	1	.500
Royal Engineers	2	3	.400
H.K. Baseballers	0	3	.000
South China	0	3	.000

LEAGUE TABLE

TO DATE

	W.	L.	Pct.
U.S.S. Mindanao	2	0	1.000
Brewers	4	1	.800
Chung Hwa	3	1	.750
U.S.S. Asheville	1	1	.500
Royal Engineers	2	3	.400
H.K. Baseballers	0	3	.000
South China	0	3	.000

to halt the fiasco by fanning Foley and Shaw, but not after he had yielded a two-run single off Fox's heavy bludgeon.

When the smoke had cleared nine runs had already dented the counting station. For the remaining three semesters Mohawks could produce only two tallies.

"Honest Tom" Fox earned batting plaudits with a two-in-three performance, chased in two of his mates and showed he was no slouch on the fly paths, as he specked five bases.

"Doc" Molthen and Bob Foley each clouted a two-bagger for the only extra-base knocks of the tilt.

4th Straight Win

Dave Leonard's bruising Brewery Bombers breezed on to their fourth straight victory, at the expense of Chung Hwa Maroons. The latter put up unexpected resistance for the first two frames, but cracked right open under the pressure in the third frame with four costly errors, and finally succumbed 10 to 1.

Chung Hwa receiver Bill Chang saved his side from a whitewashing by coming through with his first hit of the season to score Al Lau, who was perched on second. Madeen "Slim" Arculli again dished out a lackadaisical mound performance and was content to throw them over to the Hitless Wonders. Arculli fanned two, and walked two, whilst Maroon chucker Al Lau passed one to first.

The Leonard brothers, Dave and Stan, the Powerhouse, were both unable to fatten their averages as they went to the platter four times without returning a hit.

Tony "Pee-wee" Alves again came into the batting lime-light with a perfect bunt and a single to left in his three trips to the plate, whilst rookie Gerry Gosano lashed the horse-hides for a near .500 in four batting chances.

Longest Hit Of Day

Madeen Arculli poled out the longest hit of the day with a powerful triple, which went way over centre-fielder "Loney" Loong's head.

For the first two frames Brewers only managed to squeeze one run from Maroons.

Third-sacker Wally Chang's wild heave in the third, to give Madeen Arculli a life, was, however, the beginning of a series of errors which gave the Leonard men four markers.

The Beermen added two more in the fourth and the sixth, and one in the seventh to clinch the game.

Lai Tsun, will be guests of Royal Scots at the Army pool on Thursday, July 17. Included in the programme are two open events, 440 Yards free-style and Medley Relay (three swimming, 50, over 100, length each, 60, 60 yards each).

SYKES WINS AGAIN

L. Sykes, receiving 50 handicap, beat H. Jackson, Dockyard, billiards champion, by 500 points to 390, last night at European Y.M.C.A. Sykes, who recently won the Y.M.C.A. championship, from C. T. Chimpelovier, had a break of 53, while Jackson's best was 51.

It is understood that at the forthcoming annual general meeting of Indian Recreation Club the proposal to build an extension to the present clubhouse will be discussed. If this is approved this will mean better dressing-room facilities, not only for members but also for visiting teams.

In yesterday's editions it was reported that K. S. Robertson equalled a Third Division Bowls League record on Saturday, and that E. Kent set a new record low in Third Division. Both these feats were performed in Second Division, not Third.

A roller skating hockey match was played at Cro's rink yesterday between Hong Kong Skating Club and the Never Wins, the Club winning 4-1. Cheung (2), Nien and Dreyer scored for Club and Scott for the Never Wins.

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When there is something new in racing it is introduced in progressive California.

The latest innovation at Hollywood Park is motion pictures of races in their entirety. The plan requires eight patrol judges each equipped with a combination binocular-camera.

Back at Hollywood Park, George Strate, veteran handler, gives Jimmy Wilson, Negro exercise boy, credit for Staretor's surprising second in the Kentucky Derby. Strate got Wilson from the famous trainer, Jimmy Rowe, Wilson galloped Whichone, which Harry Payne Whitney regarded as the finest horse he ever owned. Jimmy Wilson knows how to rate a horse to precision. He taught Staretor how to be rated, which is why the tall and strong reddish chestnut son of Messenger left all but Whirlaway behind in a record-wrecking race.

SATURDAY'S BOWLS

Following is next Saturday's programme of League Lawn Bowls matches:

FIRST DIVISION
Recreo "A" v K.C.C.
K.D.R.C. v C.C.C.
C.S.C. v P.R.C.
I.R.C. v Recreo "B"
K.B.G.C. "B" v K.B.G.C. "A"

SECOND DIVISION
Recreo v K.T.G.C.A.
K.C.C. v P.O.C.
C.C.C. v H.K.F.C.
K.F.C. v Taikoo

THIRD DIVISION
C.C.C. v K.F.C.
H.K.F.C. v I.R.C.
P.R.C. v Recreo
H.K.C.C. v H.K.E.R.C.

This afternoon's programme of Second Division League Tennis matches will consist of postponed games mutually rearranged.

V.R.C. Team To Meet Lai Tsun

VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB HELD THEIR LAST TRIALS YESTERDAY EVENING IN PREPARATION FOR THEIR SWIMMING MEETING AGAINST LAI TSUN ON SATURDAY.

Trials were held for only two events. In the 440 Yards free-style C. Silva-Netto came first easily, Fenton and J. Gomes being some distance behind.

After the first 300 yards Silva-Netto was leading by nearly a length, while half a length separated Gomes from Fenton. In the last lap Gomes made a great effort to catch Fenton but to no avail and lost by several yards.

In the 50 Yards breast-stroke event A. K. Rumjahn beat W. Lawrence.

At the end of the first lap there was little difference between the swimmers, but in the home stretch Rumjahn drew away towards the end.

Following were the results: -

440 YARDS FREE-STYLE - 1. C. Silva-Netto (6 mins. 31.3 secs.); 2. J. Fenton (7 mins. 12 secs.); 3. J. Gomes (7 mins. 20.3 secs.).

50 YARDS BREAST-STROKE - 1. R. K. Rumjahn (33.3 secs.); 2. W. Lawrence (34 secs.); 3. J. A. Marques (34.2 secs.).

Selected Team

Following are the selected swimmers to represent Victoria Recreation Club against Lai Tsun:

Ladies' 150 Yards Medley Relay - Miss C. Gutierrez (back), Miss V. Churn (breast) and Miss J. Anderson (free-style).

Men's 200 Yards breast-stroke - J. Marques and A. Alves.

Men's 100 Yards free-style - W. Lawrence and L. Roza-Pereira.

Boys' 75 Yards Medley - C. Gutierrez, J. Roza-Pereira, J. Gomes, W. Ribeiro and J. Anderson Jr.

Men's 440 Yards free-style - Charles Huang and C. Silva-Netto.

Ladies' 50 Yards breast-stroke - Miss M. Noronha and Miss V. Y. Yolie.

Men's 100 Yards back-stroke - A. K. Rumjahn and T. Lopes.

Ladies' 100 Yards breast-stroke - Miss C. Gutierrez and Miss I. Lopes.

Civil Service Cricket Club are continuing their bowls tournaments this year to the Singles Championship. This is due to the difficulties encountered last year in the playing off of games in the Pairs and Rinks competitions.

T. McMahon, Police Recreation Club cricketer, has decided to give up the game and will take no part in cricket this winter - not even as scorer, a job which he did most conscientiously in the past whenever he had the time to spare and was not taking an active part in the matches. Stationed at Cheung Chau now, McMahon has as much swimming as he wants.

Club Lawn Bowls Tournament Draws & Results To Date

Following are the latest Club lawn bowls tournament results and entries:

KOWLOON C.C.

Roger Lindall Cup

Second Round - R. S. Meadows beat D. Hung; F. A. Broadbridge beat J. Coles; **Third Round** - A. E. Perry beat R. S. Meadows; T. A. Madar beat A. Bone; L. Jack beat S. A. Gray; N. A. E. Mackay beat A. W. Smith; E. Zimmerman beat G. W. Bowden; A. Madar beat A. J. Kew; N. D. Lloyd beat F. A. Fabel; A. E. P. Guest beat C. J. Tacchi; F. Goodwin beat A. H. Martin.

Tyro Competition

First Round - A. Bone beat J. Burman; **Second Round** - A. H. Martin beat A. Bone; E. Curtis beat J. Coles.

Handicap Pairs

Second Round - D. Hung and H. Overy (plus 4) beat F. A. Fabel and E. Curtis (plus 3); R. Leigh and R. S. Meadows (plus 2) beat W. W. Parsons and A. J. Kew (plus 2).

Club Championship

First Round - F. A. Fabel (plus 4) beat F. A. Broadbridge (plus 3); H. L. Langley (plus 6) beat C. J. Tacchi (plus 8); A. Steven (scr.) beat A. Bone (plus 6).

KOWLOON FOOTBALL CLUB

Handicap Singles

Second Round - A. Eastman (2) beat A. Dand (plus 2); R. Ord (scr.) beat G. Frost (plus 3); C. Downman (2) beat C. Woodcock (plus 2).

KOWLOON TONG G.A.

Club Championship

Second Round - V. N. Attenza beat A. Madar; **Third Round** - W. J. Howard beat C. J. Roe.

Handicap Singles

Second Round - T. C. Young (plus 12) beat T. M. Gregory (plus 8); W. J. Howard (scr.) beat A. Madar (scr.); A. H. Basto (scr.) beat A. E. H. Castro (plus 2); **Third Round** - H. A. Castro (plus 3) beat J. L. Stephens (scr.); M. S. Phoon (plus 8) beat A. H. Basto (scr.).

Pairs Competition

Second Round - H. Gitting and T. C. Young beat Y. Abbas and T. M. Gregory; A. J. Kew and M. S. Phoon beat J. L. Stephens and H. A. Castro.

INDIAN R.C.

Club Singles

First Round - A. G. Sufflad beat U. A. Rumjahn 21-21; S. M. Rumjahn beat Badan Singh 21-16; M. B. Hassan beat G. Singh 22-3; S. Yusuf beat J. Hoosen 22-20.

Pairs Competition

First Round - A. R. Minu and M. I. Razack beat A. K. Minu and A. R. M. Samy 20-10.

Rinks Competition

First Round - A. Rahmin, M. U. Razack, A. H. Rumjahn and A. R. Dallah (skip) beat D. M. A. Razack, A. G. Sufflad, K. M. Rumjahn and A. R. Minu (skip) 21-13; M. Hassan, A. Bakar, S. Yusuf and M. Y. Adal (skip) beat Badan Singh, A. H. Madar, D. M. Khan and A. K. Minu (skip) 24-18.

CRAIGENGOWER

Following are the lawn bowls entries for Craigengower's intra-club competitions:

JUNIOR SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP (for the Dawood Rumjahn Memorial Cup)

Y. Abbas, P. K. Pavri, W. Curd, G. S. Ladd, J. K. Pavri, U. A. Stevenson, L. M. da Roza, W. E. Broadbridge, M. A. Baptista, W. Ward, L. Gaddi, E. Zimmerman, C. W. Lam, N. P. Karan, J. D. Rozario, S. R. Solina, W. K. Way, W. J. Howard, L. Sul-wing, E. S. Franks, H. G. Foreman, J. W. Leonard, A. J. Coelho, S. Leonard, E. J. Toed and J. H. Xavier.

Rinks Competition

Y. Abbas, P. K. Pavri, W. Curd, G. S. Ladd, J. K. Pavri, U. A. Stevenson, L. M. da Roza, W. E. Broadbridge, M. A. Baptista, W. Ward, L. Gaddi, E. Zimmerman, C. W. Lam, B. W. Bradbury, C. S. Rossetti, R. Basa, J. S. Landolt, A. K. Ismail, D. A. Rozario, A. J. Coelho, S. R. Solina, A. W. Ramsay, W. K. Way, W. J. Howard, F. K. Modi, A. E. Contes, L. I. Sul-wing, A. E. S. Alves, L. C. R. Souza, H. E. Foreman and J. H. Xavier.

SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP (for France Challenge Cup)

Y. Abbas, C. S. Rossetti, G. S. Ladd, B. W. Bradbury, W. E. Broadbridge, M. A. Baptista, A. M. Omar, S. Leonard, R. Basa, W. Ward, C. W. Lam, J. S. Landolt, J. H. Xavier, A. J. Coelho, S. R. Solina, K. M. Omar, M. J. Medina, W. J. Howard, A. H. Rumjahn, A. E. Coates, W. K. Way and L. C. R. Souza.

Pairs Competition

Y. Abbas, C. S. Rossetti, G. S. Ladd, B. W. Bradbury, W. E. Broadbridge, M. A. Baptista, A. M. Omar, S. Leonard, R. Basa, W. Ward, C. W. Lam, J. S. Landolt, J. H. Xavier, A. K. Ismail, D. A. Rozario, A. J. Coelho, S. R. Solina, M. J. Medina, W. J. Howard, A. H. Rumjahn, A. E. Coates, W. K. Way and L. C. R. Souza.

Men's 220 Yards breast-stroke

Fong Chung-yue and Wong Siu-chi.

Men's 100 Yards free-style

Lau Tai-ping and Tsang Cheong-ming.

Men's 440 Yards free-style

Yau Sui-keung and Chan Chun-nam.

Ladies' 50 Yards breast-stroke

Miss Ko Mui-ling and Miss Lo Po-kam.

Men's 100 Yards back-stroke

Lau Yiu-ting and Poon Wing-kai.

Ladies' 100 Yards back-stroke

Miss Lily Sadick and Miss Tsang Fung-kwan.

Ladies' 50 Yards free-style

Miss Ko Mui-ling and Miss Lo Po-kam.

Men's 150 Yards Medley Relay

Lau Yiu-ting (back), Tsang Cheong-ming (breast) and Kam Hop-ming (free-style).

Ladies' 200 Yards free-style Relay

Misses Ko Mui-ling, Tsang Fung-kwan, Lily Sadick and Cheng Ol-in.

Men's 880 Yards free-style Relay

Charles Huang, W. Lawrence, L. A. Bena and L. Roza-Pereira.

TO-NIGHT'S GALA

Chung Shing Swimming Club are holding their swimming gala this evening at West Point, commencing at 7.30 p.m., and in the invitation Medley Relay race the following will represent Victoria Recreation Club: - A. K. Rumjahn (back-stroke), L. M. Remedios (breast-stroke) and Charles Huang (free-style).

SWIMMING GALA FOR BOMBER FUND

The Government Inter-Departmental Swimming Gala and Dance in aid of the Bomber Fund will be held at European Y.M.C.A., Kowloon, on Friday

next at 9 p.m. Admission will be \$1.50.

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AIR RAIDS IN FINLAND

Enemy planes bombed different places in Finland, Helsinki being raided on Monday when one person was killed and 20 wounded. A number of buildings were damaged.

Bombs were dropped on Kotka during the night on Sunday and Monday, and the resultant fires caused 20 houses to be damaged. Five of the raiding planes are reported to have been shot down.—Reuter.

WIEDEMAN FOR JAPAN?

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")
Captain Wiedeman, Nazi Consul-General in San Francisco, ordered to leave under the decision of the American Government, has announced that he will probably take up a diplomatic appointment in Japan.

Wiedeman is a former Hitler A.D.C.—International News Service.

ONLY ONE KILLED

Only one man was killed and another wounded in the Japanese air raid over Chungking yesterday on the occasion of the fourth anniversary of China's resistance.

Quality Of Soviet Tank Weapons

"One of the greatest surprises for everybody, including specialists, is the extent of the Russian tank weapon," says the Berlin correspondent of the Zurich newspaper "Neue Zuercher Zeitung" describing a visit to Lwow.

He says that the Germans captured Lwow after eight days of constant fighting. The Germans were constantly attacked by Russian tank units which were used in big numbers.

The Russian tanks include 15-tonners equipped with 47 millimetre guns, medium tanks with 75.5 guns and bigger tanks with 15 centimetre guns.

German soldiers say that the latter were fast, but vulnerable in close fighting because besides the big gun, they carry only one machine-gun pointing forward which can be put out of action with a handgrenade.

The Russians are also using giant 60-ton tanks built on the French pattern, with three gun turrets containing a howitzer, two light guns, and several machine-guns.

THESE ARE PRACTICALLY INVULNERABLE BUT ARE LIABLE TO GET BOGGED IN MARSHY GROUND.

Well Designed

The correspondent describes the

Russian guns, caterpillar vehicles and tanks as appearing "completely new, immaculately painted, well looked after, cleanly finished and well designed. He also remarks that in the positions, which the Russians evacuated, books of educational character were constantly found.

Bitter Opposition

The correspondent describes the prisoners' camp constructed by the Germans to hold 50,000 prisoners, contained only 3,000 Russian fortification workers, mostly Asiatic.

The correspondent concludes that the Russian resistance was generally stubborn and even bitter.

Wherever the Russians were forced to retreat they were withdrawn in good order.

Hardly any material was abandoned and no equipment thrown away.—Reuter.

STOP PRESS

[SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL"]
It is revealed in Washington that four Maersk ships now in Manila are included among the Danish ships announced as requisitioned by the U.S. Maritime Board, and that they will be assigned to the American President Lines for operating in the Far East.—International News Service.

DAYLIGHT SWEEPS CONTINUE

The R.A.F. continued the offensive on the enemy's western front yesterday, according to an Air Ministry communiqué which says that heavy bombers, accompanied by fighters, attacked the aircraft works at Meaulte, and the power station and chemical works near Bethune.

Both targets were hit by powerful bombs and many incendiaries, and the escort shot down seven enemy fighters.

Three British fighters were lost, but two of the pilots were rescued from the sea.

Bomber Command Blenheims attacked a strongly escorted convoy of eight enemy ships of 5,000 tons off the Dutch coast, six of the ships being hit by bombs.

The Blenheims attacked another convoy off Calais, and one ship of 2,000 tons, and the escorting E-boat were sunk.

Three Bomber Command and one Coastal Command aircraft are missing as a result of these operations.—Reuter.

NAZIS REELING BACK ON THEIR OWN HEELS

(Continued from Page 1)
"In the direction of Novograd-Volynsk, our troops by stubborn fighting are containing the advance of strong enemy mechanised forces.

In the direction of Mogilev-Podolsk, our troops engaged in fierce fighting against the enemy. In this region our troops cut the retreat of an enemy battalion and annihilated it completely.

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